

POLICE TO HAVE NEW FLEET OF FAST CRAFT

The nucleus of a completely revised fleet of fast Water Police launches has been formed in Hong Kong. One of the three speed boats—former Air Rescue Craft—has already been commissioned after reversion in the Colony.

Exhaustive trials in the harbour and outlying British waters have been carried out to test the speed and to acquaint crew with the behaviour of the craft.

All tests, including one in which radio-telephonic com-

Cries Of Agony Did Not Hold Him Back

On October 22 at 7.30 p.m., Li Kam-tin drove off from Shumshupo with a load of timber and four passengers in his truck. There was a small boy beside him on the driver's seat.

As he was going downhill towards Kwai Chung on his way to Yuen Long, he ran off the edge of the road while turning a left-hand bend. The truck took a somersault and landed 10 feet below in a paddy field.

One passenger was trapped between the timber and the embankment of the road. He sustained fatal injuries. Another found himself under the timber with his head out in the field. Li managed to get out and despite cries of agony from the unfortunate victims of the accident, ran from the scene of the disaster, abandoning them to their fate.

When he returned to the place two hours later, he was taken into custody.

He alleged that he was blinded by the lights of a car approaching from the opposite direction. Upon examination, there were no skid marks on the road and it was the theory of the police that the brakes had not been applied and that Li simply drove the truck off the road due to the poor lights. Li admitted the lights of his truck were bad.

Li has three previous convictions for obstruction, carrying excess passengers and driving without due care and attention. Brought before Mr. J. Wickes at Kowloon yesterday, he pleaded guilty. The case was remanded for one day.

munications between the speed boat and land stations were tried out, were successful.

Mr. R. V. F. Turner, Divisional Superintendent, Water Police, told the "China Mail" yesterday that he hopes to get a few more fast boats. This, however, will depend on funds made available by Government.

The three fast craft at present in Hong Kong are composed of two 60-foot and one 41-foot former Air Rescue Craft. One of the two larger boats has been commissioned. The other two are being reconverted and adjusted.

Two more similar craft are on the way to Hong Kong. The plan is to revise completely the existing Water Police fleet by replacements and additions of fast craft.

Mr. Turner said that fast craft will result in better liaison work between the sea and land units of the Hong Kong Police force.

The excellent manoeuvrability of fast craft will increase the potentiality of sea patrols, he added.

Mr. Turner said that eventually the fast boats will be manned by trained police. The crews will be given police training. The commissioned speed boat has three Diesel engines and is equipped with a radio-telephonic communications set. The armament has not yet been installed.

The new launch has been named Police Launch No. 21. It is in charge of Sub-Inspector A. F. Hesse, who has been in the Water Police for 10 years. It has a crew of 12, including the coxswain.

REMEMBRANCE DAY FUND

The Committee of the British Legion acknowledges the under-mentioned donations to the Earl Hall Fund for Disabled Ex-Servicemen:

Previously acknowledged	\$13,530.00
Mr. A. Tuckia	50.00
Mr. I. H. Anderson	25.00
Hair & Co., Ltd.	500.00
Mr. J. P. Newell	100.00
Total	\$14,205.00



The first of the craft which enable the Water Police to move over the water a lot faster than they have been able to do in the past.

PERSONALIA

Among the passengers who arrived here yesterday by CPA from Manila were M. K. Nasholds, Victoria Ramos, Sean Jan, Roberto Co and Co Tit.

Mrs. Van Nordstrand, Mrs. R. Stuevoss, Mrs. R. Salcan, E. Mendoza, J. de Bona, F. Quiam, Arthur Blot, D. C. Hicks, Gloria Tan, Chua Hock left for Manila yesterday by CPA.

Passengers who left for Bangkok yesterday by CPA were A. M. Scott, A. C. Blomgren, J. W. Shade and W. W. Woods. On the same plane were E. W. Vincent, Mary Hang and D. J. Messey travelling to Singapore.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Riddick, Mrs. Doris Hicks, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Gailop, Mrs. J. P. Fernandez, Mrs. E. Hunt, Messrs. C. Cadbury, T. C. Clumpkins, E. B. Cumline, E. F. Cauldwell, J. V. Short, J. Jenkins, J. R. Perry, N. Kelly and N. J. Dover.

New arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mrs. K. Brand, Mrs. Winifred, Mrs. P. Hodgson, Dr. and Mrs. MacCarthy, W. W. Burgess, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ring, Mrs. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. House, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. T. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Keller, Mrs. D. Hammond, Messrs. M. Douck, W. Fletcher, L. Cook, M. Kwauk, B. W. Henkin, N. Bushfield, T. A. Farrmar, and J. K. Hawkins.

The following forthcoming weddings have been announced. Mr. Leslie Thomas Reed, Marine Engineer of Jardine Matheson and Company, and Miss Phyllis Boone, secretary of 11 Alfred Road, Sutton, Surrey, England.

Mr. Ruben Averilla, musician, of 48 Connaught Road West, second floor, and Miss Celestina Teresa Ritchie, of 38 Ma Tau Chung Camp, Kowloon.

Mr. Vladimir Nicolaevich Dronnikoff, architect, of 68 Kimberley Road, ground floor, and Mrs. Elizabeth Vitaleva, secretary, of 24 Route Bolessezon, Shanghai.

Mr. Nemesis Goncalves Ferreira, principal warder, Victoria Remand Prison, and Miss Maria Clara Toledo, typist, International Company, Wyndham Street.

Major James Boyle, retired, Army Officer, of 614 Gloucester Hotel, and Mrs. Josephine Anne Raffan, en route to Hong Kong from the United Kingdom.

PI AIR LINES INCREASE BUSINESS

Total number of passengers carried from Hong Kong by Philippine Air Lines in the past 12 months shows an overall increase of 207 per cent over the first year of operation.

The passenger figures were 4,033 to Manila and Shanghai and 1,145 to the United States. Freight carried in the same period was 83,303 pounds to the United States, and 80,363 pounds of airmail.

TALK ON TRADE AT Y'S MEN'S CLUB

Dr. Y. L. Wu, Assistant Representative in Hong Kong of the Central Bank of China, will address the Y's Men's Club at the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, tomorrow at 12.45 p.m.

Dr. Wu's subject will be "Trends of the postwar developments of China's Foreign Trade."

CORRESPONDENCE

"It Was A Grievous Sin"

Sir,—Unfortunately I am "no orator as Brutus was," and not even a very good hand with a pen, but those most edifying speeches made by our local Honoufables, Sir Man-iam Lo, Mr. Leo d'Almeida, K.C., Mr. P. S. Cassidy, and Mr. N. O. C. Marsh, before the Legislative Council in a concerned attempt to put an end to price controlling by Government's competent authorities, and their keenly pointed attack did make me think of that assassination scene in Shakespeare's play where the sanctimonious senators led by Cassius, solemnly give the works to Caesar with the daggers they had concealed beneath their cloaks.

For Caesar, one might read "the public of Hong Kong." But far be it from me, a mere humble citizen with ideas of British justice and integrity upon which I was brought up (elsewhere) to presume in any way to criticise.

As Mark Antony remarked, over the poor, perforated corpse of a man who had tried to do good for his country, and been dealt with as an "untrimmed executive authority" in the manner which appeared most fitting to the vested interests of those times, "the evil that men do lives after them." This Colony was certainly founded by bold, ruthless commercial buccannery who broke the monopoly of the East India Company to set up another of their own which has grown with the years to alarming proportions, to where with its ramifications it dominates the scene.

Possibly like the wounds of Caesar which became moulds and many-headed in order that "the foul deed should smell about the earth," gasps inflicted upon the public of Hong Kong also may, eventually, become extremely vocal, until the odours assail nostrils even in London.

POPE FOR HONEST.

A Direct Insult
Sir,—Nearly an N.C.O.'s remarks about Servicemen who through their own bad manners are not accepted into the homes of civilians in Hong Kong are a direct insult to every member of H.M. Forces, more so to his shipments in the Royal Navy.

I have been in the Navy long enough to have met many Servicemen and I think the average sailor is one of the persons who does live within his means, which amounts to little more than attending these so-called honky-tonks, cafes etc.

If "nearly an N.C.O." cannot stand these bad-mannered and uncouth sailors, why doesn't he buy himself out of the Service and if it hurts his dignity to the extent where he sees Red, why does he not desert?

"If I am not mistaken, he is of the type who through different methods, during 'Japs', this being accepted into these private homes. Any gallant war-weary, hard-working, but alas bad-mannered sailor would rather starve than employ this method."

TUGS.

Art Exhibition
Sir,—A remarkable exhibition of paintings by Mr. Douglas Bland is being held in "St. John's Hall" at the moment, which I think, deserves better recognition than the local press is letting space for.

His search to express what he perceives succeeds in revealing not only the "power within" his subject, but a force from within himself that lights with new, subtle familiar Hong Kong yowls. Boldness of form, and unconventional colours that gain effective depth one from another, mark him as an artist who is on the verge of transcending mere technique.

These water-colours paint a full-blooded joy that, for me, was a great relief after continuous drawings of those feminine delicacies that have their inhibited origin in the immediate conveniences of Chinese brush painting. His cloud studies have a texture that no Chinese brush could ever hope to translate.

It was unfortunate that this young artist who will have enough difficulty in reaching a public still unaccustomed to his work, had on Monday the additional task of making to visitors his explanations of technical detail louder than the brassy lungs of the Hong Kong Singers, who had infiltrated into the unholy half of the Hall during the exhibition.

ACADEME.

Poppy Day

Sir,—I would be grateful for the courtesy of your columns to appear for sellers for Poppy Day on Saturday, November 6.

The Earl Hall Fund for maimed and disabled ex-servicemen depends for its income on the Poppy Day collections. My committee appeals to all British women to give us a few hours of their time on the morning of November 6 to assist in the sale of Poppies.

Personal rectifiers have been sent out to many people, but we feel there are a number of newcomers to the Colony whose names and addresses are unknown to us and who would wish to assist.

Would these willing to help please contact either Mrs. G. M. Grove, 7A, Bowen Road, Telephone 27340; or Mrs. M. Staple, 16, Hart Avenue, Kowloon, Tel. 56438.

M. B. TIGHE,
Hon. Secretary.

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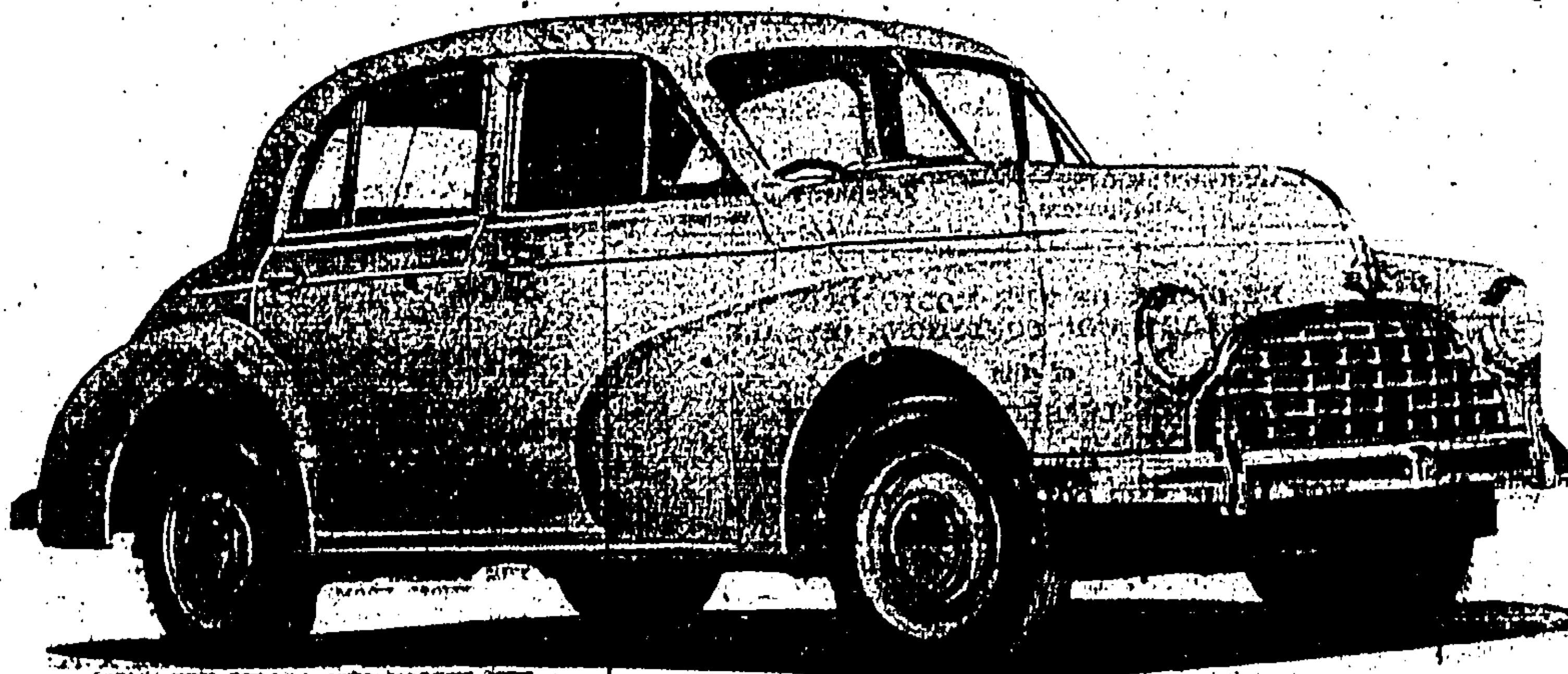
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New tickets for passengers not holding a ticket for the present month can be obtained only at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on and after 31st October.

Existing tickets can be renewed at the Traffic Office, Canal Road East, on the 26th and 27th October and from 2nd November.

Existing tickets may also be renewed at Queen's Building, Connaught Road Entrance, near Star Ferry, on the 28th, 29th and 30th October and 1st November.

V. WALKER, Acting General Manager. October 25, 1948.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Ninth Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, November 6, 1948, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, October 28, 1948.

By Order, S. A. Sleep, Actg. Secretary.

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CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Twentieth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of China Underwriters, Limited, will be held at the Offices of the Company, 4A, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 27th day of October, 1948, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1947, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the October 19, 1948, to the October 27, 1948, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, F. R. CHILDE, Managing Director.

Hong Kong, October 18, 1948.

ROYAL HONG KONG YACHT CLUB

MEMBERS ARE ADVISED THAT SPECIAL MONTHLY BUFFET SUPPER DANCES WILL BE HELD ON

SATURDAY, 30th October SATURDAY, 27th November AND NEW YEAR'S EVE.

THE HONG KONG ART CLUB

Members are reminded that the monthly Exhibition, to be held at the Helena May Institute on October 28, the selection will be made of the exhibits to be hung at the Annual Exhibition.

Members are particularly requested to follow carefully the instructions in my circular letter of October 2, and to ensure that their exhibits are delivered to the Helena May Institute before noon, individually labelled, and accompanied by a list in duplicate.

LUIS CHAN, Honorary Secretary.

October 25, 1948.

ART EXHIBITION

Paintings in Water Colour by Mr. D. R. Bland to be held in St. John Hall, Monday 25th Oct. from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m., Tuesday 26th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday 27th from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission Free.

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Still Claims No Case To Answer

An unusual submission was made by Mr. A. J. Clifford before Mr. J. Weeks at Kowloon yesterday following the magistrate's ruling that defendants had a case to answer.

Mr. Clifford, instructed by Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ was defending Chan Shing, cargo owner, charged with attempting to export 190 bags of salt without a permit.

The other defendant in the case was Kwok Tin, roxswain of a motor speed boat who was not legally represented and who was charged with possession of arms and ammunition and attempting to export unmanifested cargo without a permit.

Mr. Clifford at the last hearing submitted that his client had no case to answer, but the magistrate in delivering his ruling yesterday held that all defendants had a case to answer.

Mr. Clifford said that in view of the magistrate's decision he would not produce any evidence, but would appeal against the decision of "a case to answer" and any conviction deriving therefrom.

He quoted the case in which three constables appealed against the decision of Mr. F. X. d'Almada the appeal being allowed on similar grounds.

Furthermore, said Mr. Clifford, if he should produce any evidence, it would be filling up any gap left open by the prosecution.

Inspector Askew, prosecuting, said that in view of the circumstances it could only be considered that the defendants were guilty.

He added that he would ask for the cargo to be confiscated to the government.

Mr. Weeks said he was rather surprised at such a submission by Mr. Clifford, but he would give the matter consideration, and accordingly adjourned further hearing until 11.30 a.m. on November 2.

ACCUSED OF THEFT FROM DOCTOR

Hong Sang, 25-year-old watchman, was remanded for three days in police custody by Mr. Thomas Tam, when he denied a charge of stealing four gold effects from Dr. P. Esmond at the Medical Officers' Quarters, Queen Mary Hospital, valued at HK\$3,023.

NOTICE

HONG KONG CHAMBER MUSIC CLUB

A Meeting to consider the revival of the above Club will be held at the FUNG PING SHAN LIBRARY of the University, Bonham Road, on Wednesday, October 27, 1948, at 5.30 p.m.

All interested are urged to attend.

D. J. SLOSS, Hon. Secretary.

University of Hong Kong, October 26, 1948.

Baby PHOTOGRAPHIC Competition

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SECTION (A) For Babies Not Over 6 Months

SECTION (B) For Babies Not Over 18 Months

NON CHINESE BABIES

SECTION (A) For Babies Not Over 6 Months

SECTION (B) For Babies Not Over 18 Months

THE JUDGES OF THE COMPETITION WILL MAKE THEIR SELECTION FROM THE PHOTOGRAPHS AS PUBLISHED IN THE "WEDNESDAY SUPPLEMENTS" OF THE "CHINA MAIL". THE PRIZEWINNERS ARE ANNOUNCED THEREIN. A SPECIAL COMPETITION WITH A PRIZE OF \$100 FOR THE PERSON WHO PLACES THE TWELVE PRIZE-WINNING BABIES IN THEIR CORRECT ORDER—AS DECIDED BY THE JUDGES—OR FOR THE PERSON WHO IS MOST NEARLY CORRECT.

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FILL IN COUPON AND CLEARLY MARK YOUR ENVELOPE "BABY COMPETITION" CHINA MAIL, WINDSOR HOUSE. WATCH THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY SUPPLEMENTS OF THE CHINA MAIL FOR FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS. THE CLOSING DATE FOR COMPETITION WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

MEMBERS OF THE STAFF OF THIS NEWSPAPER WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR THIS COMPETITION.

CHINA MAIL BABY COMPETITION

I have attached the photograph of my baby (AGE) entered for this competition and state that the baby's age is not over 6 months (or 18 months (Delete whichever is inapplicable))

NAME: ADDRESS:

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Had-um phone installed for daughter—no never got to use-um fire!"

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

The Authority on Authority

A TWO-PURPOSE WEAPON

WHEN a fine player makes a suit bid of one more than necessary to overcall an opponent's bid, he has one of two different kinds of hands. Either it is a two-suiter of great strength or it is a one-suiter with a really considerable suit. How in the world can his partner tell which it is? He can't at first. And he doesn't have to know right away. When bid time arrives if a different suit is called, he knows it is a two-suiter. But if the same suit is rebid then it is the one-suiter and one main objective of hat bidder was to impede the opponents.

South's rebid of the first suit, spades, showed he did not have a two-suiter. In cases where that sort of hand is held, the partner should be wary about going too high. It was close for North on the point of passing or essaying 4-Spades. He decided to leave it at three and exactly that contract was made.

Notice how easy it was for East and West to find out about their splendid heart fit over the mere 1-Spade. It resulted in North and South taking a two-trick doubled sacrifice.

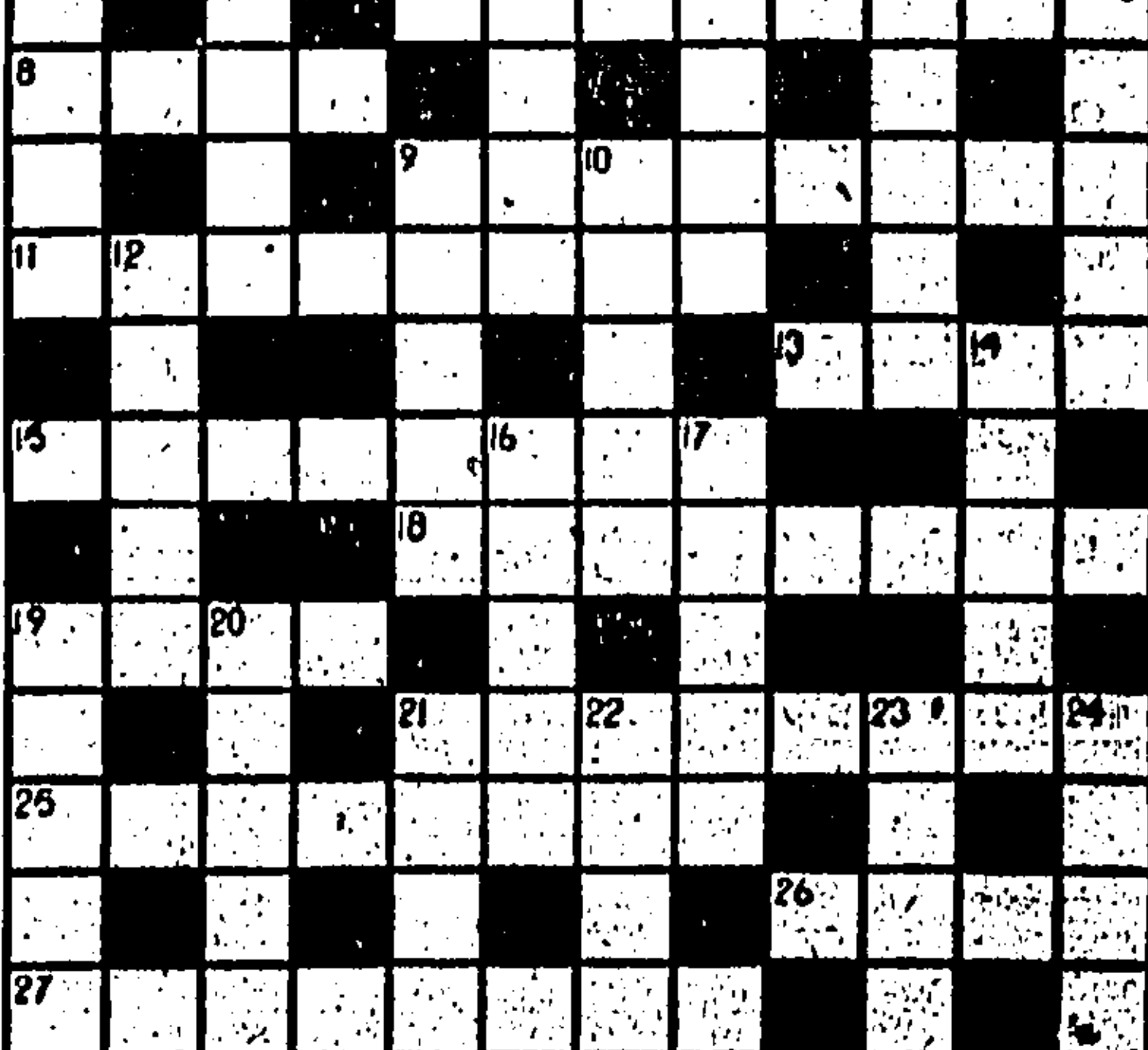
Tomorrow's Problem

S Q 9 7 3
H A K Q 0
D 9 5 2
C K 10

S 0 2
H 8 4 3 2
D K 7
C 9 6 5 4

(Dealer South Neither side vulnerable.)

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Clues Across

3. Get nearer. 18. Told.
8. Blind. 19. Display.
9. Determined. 21. Agony.
11. Mended. 22. Muddled.
12. Fewer. 23. Applaud.
15. Went ahead. 27. Unexpected.

Clues Down

1. Good. 14. Aroma.
2. Profound. 16. Colloquial.
4. Seaside. 17. Appointment.
5. Land. 18. Fear.
6. Measure. 19. Dignified.
7. Notice. 20. Possessed.
8. Mature. 21. Certain.
10. Drain. 22. Chime.
12. Mould. 23. Clover.
17. Try.

Yesterday's Crossword

ACROSS—1. Morbid; 2. Debar; 3. Carousal; 4. Urges; 5. Adhere; 6. Created; 7. Dispute; 8. Planet; 9. Cheap; 10. Identity; 11. Rye; 12. Eldest.
DOWN—1. Mecca; 2. Broke; 3.

MURDER, BRUTALITY BY KOREAN REBELS

Casualty List For Hyderabad

New Delhi, October 25. An Indian official statement said today that 807 Hyderabad State troops and 1,378 Razakars (militant Muslims) had been killed in the State since Indian troops began operations there last month.

The figures were given in reply to allegations by the Pakistan radio and press that several hundred thousand Muslims had been massacred by Indian troops in the course of "planned genocide."

The full figures as given in the statement were: Razakars 1,378 killed, 42 wounded, 1,811 captured; Hyderabad—807 killed, 64 wounded and 1,047 captured; Communists, Pathans and Arabs—43 killed, four wounded, 767 captured.

The Hyderabad campaign, which began on September 12, lasted five days—Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

6.45 p.m.—Morning News (Studio).

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.35 p.m.—"Music for Romance."

1.00 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

1.15 p.m.—News (Studio).

1.30 p.m.—Weather Report and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

2.00 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

2.15 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

2.30 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

2.45 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

3.00 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

3.15 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

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3.45 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

4.00 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

4.15 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

4.30 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

4.45 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

5.00 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

5.15 p.m.—"The Day After Tomorrow" (Studio).

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He said: "Though I have written music which appealed to the popular taste I strove for other ends than merely to provide entertainment."

"I wanted to conquer the hearts of men, to penetrate their souls, and the many hundreds of letters I have received from all parts of the world prove that I succeeded and did not live and work in vain."—Reuter.

Palestine Hopes Dashed By US?

Paris, October 25. The break between President Truman and Mr. Thomas Dewey on Palestine may have dashed the last hope that the United Nations can find a peaceful settlement at this Assembly.

Delegates believe Mr. Truman's position on his stand on Palestine may result in the defeat of the late Count Folke Bernadotte's plan for partitioning the Holy Land.

No hope is seen of any positive United Nations action now. American election-year politics have so confused delegates that there is small chance that the General Assembly, which delayed action until after November 2, can negotiate a final solution. Here are the various United States attitudes on Palestine:

1. A few days before the UN Assembly convened, the U.S. Secretary of State (Mr. George Marshall) endorsed the Bernadotte plan. This gave the displaced Arabs a right to the Arab lands.

2. Mr. John Foster Dulles, Mr. Dewey's foreign affairs adviser, withheld approval of the Bernadotte plan when the American delegation adopted it as the basis for its policy in the impending Palestine debate.

3. On October 22 Mr. Dewey wrote a letter to the President the American Christian Palestine Committee, supporting the original partition plan of November 29, 1947, which gave the Jews the land.

4. On Sunday, Mr. Truman reaffirmed the Palestine plank in the Democratic platform, that also supported the original UN plan and emphasized that there should be no modification of a shave.—Reuter.

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Of these, 17 were Europeans, 169 Chinese, 25 Malays, seven Indians, two Javanese and three Sakais.

Of 430 bandits killed and captured, 407 were Chinese, mostly immigrants from China. The Communists had failed to disrupt the economic life of the country, or to secure the people's support, Mr. Rees-Williams said.

The vast majority of the people opposed the Communists, particularly the Malays, over 20,000 of whom had joined the newly-raised police as special constables, and over 6,500 as auxiliary constables.

One of the tragedies of the terrorist attempt to seize power was that the heavy expenditure on military and police requirements had limited progressive measures planned by the Government, Mr. Rees-Williams said.

At the moment the terrorists were concentrating their attacks on communications, since so many of their troops' headquarters had been dispersed, he added.

Going Ahead

Remarking that little had been written on the constructive steps taken to build up Malayan economy and to raise the standard of living, Mr. Rees-Williams said that the rubber production in 1946 was 403,700 tons, while 400,000 had been produced in the first seven months of this year.

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Eric Johnston, President of the Motion Picture Association, said yesterday that the way to avoid war with Russia is to keep up US military and industrial strength.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

HALLIOWS-WRIGHT.—A marriage has been arranged and will shortly take place in Hong Kong between Richard Halliows (Halliows, M. B. E., youngest son of Major and Mrs. R. W. Halliows of Berkhamstead, Herts and Miss Dorothy Rhona Emile Wright, eldest daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. A. Wright of Dalkey Co. Dublin.

DEATH

JUPP.—On Sunday 24th October at Worthing, Sussex, John Ambrose Jupp, late of John D. Humphreys & Son, Hong Kong and London in his 77th years.

A TRAVELLER RETURNS

It is not often that we, in Hong Kong, single out individuals returning to the Colony from leave for special expression of warm welcome, but this we feel sure, will be conceded both by the commercial community and the Government to the Hon. Arthur Morse, who has returned to resume his control of the affairs of The Bank and his place in the important councils of the Colony.

Technically Mr. Morse has been on leave, and in truth he has not been engaged upon any special mission, but there is excellent reason to believe that his has been very much in the nature of a business holiday and that considerable benefits to the Colony have accrued from his presence in London in recent months.

Least of all persons is Mr. Morse, in the course of his travels, likely to be allowed to overlook the fact that Hong Kong, as the result of the special circumstances associated with post-war conditions in this part of the world, has assumed world importance as a financial and exchange centre—extending far beyond its position as a vital port—such as would have been regarded as inconceivable prior to December 1941. Consequently, it would have been very surprising if during his journey through the United States, and after his arrival in London, the opportunity had not been taken of consulting with him on matters of common concern to Hong Kong and other financial centres. This was especially true, and very naturally, of Mr. Morse's stay in London, where officials of the Treasury and the Bank of England—weighted down with sterling bloc protection problems and exercised in their minds perhaps about rumours and allegations of exchange leakages through Hong Kong—appear to have kept Mr. Morse, in his capacity as Chairman of the Board of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, as well as its Chief Manager, exceedingly busy giving first-hand information, and doubtless exchanging information, on matters of mutual interest.

At the proper time and in the proper places, Mr. Morse will doubtless give a review of the results of his business holiday, which will prove extremely valuable to businessmen here and to those responsible for the control of Government finances and the regulation of exchange. Doubtless, too, this will demonstrate the value of personal contact when delicate issues are involved and Hong Kong's special position might be well understood or appreciated. Than Mr. Morse no man could speak with more authority in London or New York in presenting Hong Kong's case when this should be necessary. The point can be reached of course when this can be a trifle wearying and after a "holiday" which permitted him scarcely a moment out of London in four months, it may be that Mr. Morse is as glad to be back in Hong Kong as the Colony is to have him.

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DECEMBER 7—Found out F.D.R. had wired Chiang Kai-shek about the bust. No answer. [The following are undated notes in General Stilwell's Papers.]

After Tehran, plan changed. F.D.R. to Chiang Kai-shek. "Will you accept altered plan?" or "Will you postpone till November?" Chiang Kai-shek came back with a squeeze play. "O.K. if you give me a billion dollars and double the air force and ferry route."

Stalin dominated at Tehran. He laid it down and they took it. Overlord and Anvil are on. Stalin jumps in at same time. So Louis (Moosebatter) loses a lot of landing craft and can't do Buccaneer. He had 58,000 men allotted to it.

Stalin kidded Churchill. "Let's execute 50,000 German officers." "Oh, but we can't subscribe to any such plan as that." So Stalin kept at him. It was like a blood transfusion. Stalin put backbone in our gasbags.

DECK-HAND DIPLOMAT—A brief experience with international politics confirms me in my preference for driving a garbage truck. This is admittedly not the proper approach to the matter of international politics. It is very serious business. A lot of Big Figures indulge in it, and a host of little ones trail along. Those who make the grade are of course interested to dignity and even glorify the profession, which can be done in a wink of the eye by using the word "diplomacy"—a word we usually utter

Russians Throwing The Book Back

Shanghai, October 26.

White Russian emigres, who for years were stateless after the Czarist regime was overthrown, many of whom accepted the November, 1945 offer by Moscow to become Soviet citizens, today are "throwing the book" back at the Soviets.

More than one-fifth of the 5,250 emigres who accepted Soviet citizenship, have returned their passport and notified the Chinese government they want to accept stateless status and Chinese protection.

But at the same time, the true Soviet "old guard," those Russians who grew up with the revolution and who are the true believers in Marxism as represented by Lenin and Stalin, are more ardent than ever in their Communist beliefs and in following the party line.

Gregory K. Bologoff, chairman of the Russian Emigrants Association today estimated that more than 1,100 White Russians were among the 5,250 to accept Soviet citizenship. Many more would take the same step, he said, but for the fact there is no hard and fast rules enforced by either the Chinese or Russian governments in the red-tape necessary to complete the transaction.

The normal rule is for the emigre to mail his passport to the Soviet Consulate in Shanghai, which in turn mails a receipt. The receipt is then taken to the Chinese government which issues a certificate of registration to the emigre.

But both governments appear to have different rules for different cases. In many cases, the Soviet Consulate either ignores the applicant or sends the passport back—but no receipt. In either event, the emigre can advertise in the newspapers that he has mailed in his passport and with the advertisement and the postal registry receipt showing his passport has been sent to the Soviet, sometimes can get his emigre certificate.

But here sometimes, the Chinese government balks. In some cases, the Shanghai office of the Foreign Ministry has declined to accept that as enough evidence on which to accept application. Sometimes it does, sometimes it does not.

However, there is not thought to be any collusion between the two governments in such cases. It generally is traced to interpretation of the rules by different persons.

About 700,000 of the 1,100 emigres who have returned to emigre status in the past few months, were from Shanghai, Bologoff said. The remainder were in Peking, Tientsin and Tsingtao.

Bologoff placed the White Russians and others who have renounced Soviet citizenship in four categories.

The first group, he said, took the step because they did not get the sort of treatment they had anticipated in accordance with the Moscow offer. They had expected a welcome with open arms with lots of help from Moscow to get on their feet after weathering the Japanese occupation.

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THE TWENTY-SIXTH INSTALMENT

The Stilwell Papers



on a hushed and respectful note. The term "diplomat" to the average American evokes a vision of an immaculately dressed being—striped pants, spats, cane, and top hat—and a coldly superior and superior manner which makes the lightning-like play of the intellect that guides the Ship of State, moves the pieces on the board with unerring precision, and invariably turns up in Washington without his shirt. Or rather our shirt. There was a curious misprint once in a Peking-English language newspaper. The word "diplomat" came out "diplomant" and I am still wondering about that typesetter.

It is very confusing to a deckhand to be pitched in among this class of people, especially if he is a military deck hand. It is common knowledge that an Army officer has a one-track mind, that he is personally interested in striding up wars so that he can get promoted and be decorated and that he has an extremely limited education, with

no appreciation of the finer things of life. He has two strikes on him as soon as he appears, and everybody waits with keen anticipation for the third one to come over and send him back where he belongs. Even in time of war, when presumably the military aspect of the situation should be of primary importance, the fact that he may attempt to "infringe" on the prerogatives of the Sacred Cow of Diplomacy makes a warm welcome somewhat problematical. People lose sight of the fact that he is there because he is ordered, not because he wants to be.

I was lucky to find old friends in the Chungking Embassy who were disposed to help me in a job that their experience had proved to them held little hope of accomplishment, whatever their opinion as to the choice of an instrument. We have a lot of good boys in our Foreign Service; if they could only make themselves heard and get to positions of responsibility a little more quickly, we'd be all right, but as long as we go on paying off political debts with the top posts, we handicap ourselves out of the race.

Our fundamental conception of this game is wrong. We are idealists; we have the sporting instinct; we want to meet people halfway and shake hands. We forget that as the richest nation in the world we are a standing temptation for chiselers. We really forget the experience of the past and naively hope that the next time it will come out better. Under the actual setup, it can't be anything but a tough game for us, unless we are prepared to share our wealth with all comers.

A little more realism is the medicine we need, and we have a good example in the case of Russia. Have you noticed how they do it? There you have the direct approach. When they want to get an idea across, instead of saying, "Accept, dear Mr. Ambassador, my sincere hopes that the present harmonious relations between our two great nations will long endure," etc., they simply say, "If you don't throw those troops out of Shingazabo right now, we will have to throw them out." Regrettably crude, perhaps, but remarkably effective, however.

Remember that gem of diplomacy that settled a knotty little problem of Japanese encroachment in Siberia? The message read: "If you Japs don't keep your pigs' snouts out of our garden, it will be too bad." The Japs needed no interpretation by the protocol boys to tell them just where they stood.

I am not proposing that we assume a truculent or belligerent attitude; I am merely proposing a readjustment of mental attitude on a basis of realism, because, after all, life is real, life is earnest. For instance, a matter comes up that makes a military effort by an ally desirable in a certain place. (As you see, I am diplomatic and I don't come right out and say Great Britain and Burma.) So the ally proposes a different move in a different place, one that would have no earthly bearing on the outcome of the war, and after a spirited struggle against very handsomely paid give in. That puts us under the necessity of dwelling them halfway, in the interests of harmony, so we agree to forego our contention, too, and make it 50-50. Then we make a date for another conference and go home and buy another shirt.

I once took my family out for dinner at the San Diego Club, and told them to order whatever they wanted. The youngest boy, Ben, six years old, at once said, "Roast duck." That seemed a little heavy for his age, so I suggested cream of wheat. He leaned back and said, "Duck." Then the family pitched in and suggested some nice spinach, or some vegetable soup and mashed potatoes. He said, "Duck," once more without budging. I made one more attempt, to which he answered "Duck," so I then wiped the perspiration off my brow and ordered duck. He had never heard of Joe Stalin, but he knew the technique. He'd make excellent secretary of state but for the fact that he's going to be a doctor.

Playing international politics is much like playing poker. To make it remunerative, all you need is a fairly large group of contestants, is one sucker, especially if he has plenty of dough and is sensitive to insinuations about his sporting blood. It is best to make him feel that it is a favour to be allowed to "sit in"—once get that idea firmly in his mind, and all the other players are assured of a merry evening. He can be easily induced to play table stakes, with real money in front of him, while those among the other contestants who have forgotten to bring their pocket-books can write L.O.U.'s on little pieces of paper and pass them over in full confidence that they will end up in the fireplace. You can even go so far as to express, very politely of course, a supercilious disapproval and a well-bred sense of injury, when the sucker decides to go home and get some sleep.

My introduction to the game of international politics was in the Orient. The first shock of immersion is severe, but rapidly passes over, due to the numbing effect of repeated dunkings. I had battled around China, Japan, the Philippines, the Dutch Indies, Indo-China, Siam, and Malaya somewhat, but had always watched the show from a back seat in the balcony. This was my first opportunity to go behind the scenes and observe some of the handliners without their grease paint and other trappings, and I ran into many things back there that are not visible from the front. [This paper was never finished.]

me as "Joe" and reaches for a knife when I turn around. Well, that's past now, etc. Now I've got to pop back and lend the boys a hand in Burma. Our lads have been in contact for over a month, and in spite of considerable casualties have stuck to it. Certain parties are making capital out of the fact that they haven't made more progress—(Ain't that generous?)—but nobody else in Burma has so far held on to their ground. We have to go through a rathole as we go. A lot of guys deserve a lot of credit. So do the boys that keep the [Hump] ferry line going—and that's no picnic either. We haven't any presidential candidates here, but we do have a lot of people with guts, working without any publicity and also without any squawks. Take it from me that American boys are all right. Smiths, Cohens, Slavinskis, Thussens, Glimbalstas, Jansons, and what have you. White, black, and yellow—they are all playing the game. I feel like a dog—I've sent no presents home for Christmas. Every day will be Christmas at Cuneel. I found out what Carmel means. In a guidebook at Palestine! It means the "Vineyard of the Lord." And ain't that lush!

Stilwell's stay in Chungking lasted a week. The Generalissimo flatly refused to commit the Chinese Yoke force to action against Burma so long as the Allies were unwilling to make a major landing in south Burma. Nothing that Stilwell could say could shake him; but to prove his good faith, he yielded to Stilwell for the first time complete command of the Ramgarh-trained X forces in India to use as he saw fit.

DECEMBER 8—On at 6:30, Basra at 3:30. Hotel full. Role around: "Beware of Pimps"—the romantic East as per Basra restricted area.

DECEMBER 9—On at 6:30, rough over Persian Gulf. No stop at Shiraz. Karachi at 6:00 p.m. Took off at 7:30, Delhi at midnight.

DECEMBER 11—On at 11:30, Chabua at 7:00 Kunning at 6:30.

DECEMBER 12—Saw Glenn. Talked with Dorn. Off at 11:30, in Chungking at 2:00. Slept all the way. Mail.

DECEMBER 13—A.m. papers, office. Phoned Snow White (Madame Chiang). Ho Ying-chin for conference. All the usual crap on roads, replacements, rations, etc., etc. He made the usual notes. Period.

DECEMBER 14—LETTER TO MRS. STILWELL Christmas cards from you and Garry. Don't open till Christmas. Like hell. Where will I be by Christmas? What a marvelous idea. I came nearer to crying than at any time since I saw you. This mail came at just the right time. Things were pretty gloomy. Got back from Cairo day before yesterday, and got the usual answers down there, and after a bloody Joe [Stalin] got through laying down the law up there at Tehran, we were lucky to get away with our shirts. Our Big Boy doesn't seem too interested in us. What am I kicking about? Didn't he give me a shoestring when I came out and haven't I still got it? Human nature being what it is, I am still playing a lone hand. The day of the giants is gone and most of the biggest statues have clay feet. I don't care for a guy who greets

me as "Joe" and reaches for a knife when I turn around. Well, that's past now, etc. Now I've got to pop back and lend the boys a hand in Burma. Our lads have been in contact for over a month, and in spite of considerable casualties have stuck to it. Certain parties are making capital out of the fact that they haven't made more progress—(Ain't that generous?)—but nobody else in Burma has so far held on to their ground. We have to go through a rathole as we go. A lot of guys deserve a lot of credit. So do the boys that keep the [Hump] ferry line going—and that's no picnic either. We haven't any presidential candidates here, but we do have a lot of people with guts, working without any publicity and also without any squawks. Take it from me that American boys are all right. Smiths, Cohens, Slavinskis, Thussens, Glimbalstas, Jansons, and what have you. White, black, and yellow—they are all playing the game. I feel like a dog—I've sent no presents home for Christmas. Every day will be Christmas at Cuneel. I found out what Carmel means. In a guidebook at Palestine! It means the "Vineyard of the Lord." And ain't that lush!

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For a year and a half Stilwell had been training the X forces in India. Two divisions were already concentrated in northern Assam, the Burma border protecting the advancing Leda Road. They were trained, equipped ready for action. Stilwell decided that further negotiations in Delhi or Chungking would be fruitless. On December 20 he left Chungking, flying toward the Burma border where combat troops awaited his command. With these he planned to drive into Burma as deeply as possible, striking for the Chinese border.

[UNDATED] Return from Cairo. Graduation exercises at [Chinese] Military Academy. As Chiang mounted, rostrum band leader counted 1-2-3, but unfortunately band sounded "off at 2. Chiang was furious, stopped band, bawled out leader: "Either, start playing [on 1] or start on 3. Don't start on 2!" Then a speaker pulled his notes out of his pants pocket. This infuriated Chiang. He bawled him out, and told him that tail was king (in foreign countries) you could put a handkerchief in your pants pockets but not papers. Papers go in lower coat pockets, and, if secret, in upper coat pockets. Then someone stumbled on procedure and he went wild, screaming that he ought to be shot... Ch'iang pi [shoot him] and repeating it at the top of his voice.

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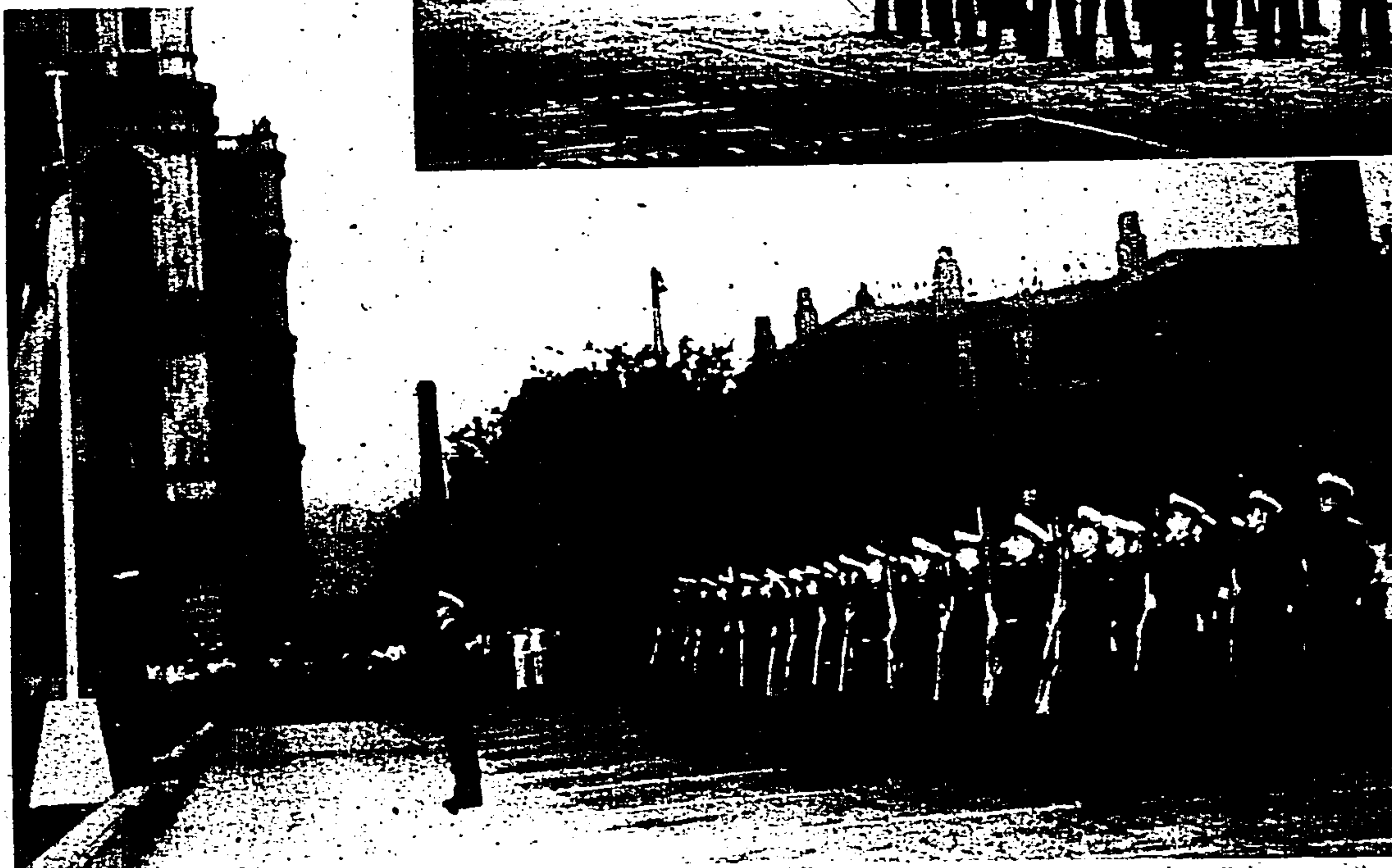
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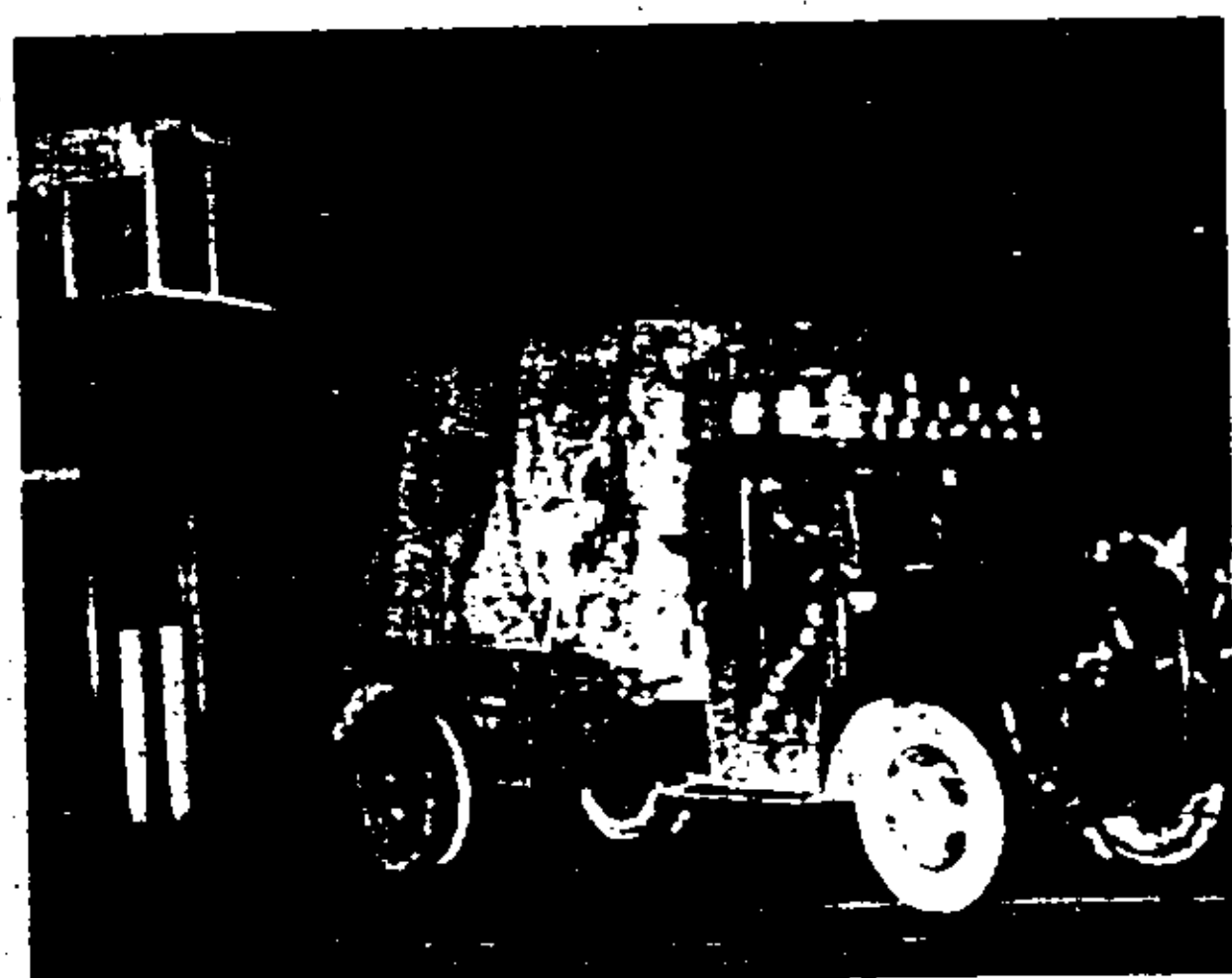
With martial music, military precision and impressive ceremonial, Trafalgar Day was marked in Hong Kong before the Cenotaph. From every available vantage point, crowds watched, from Governor to rickshaw coolie.

(China Mail Photographs)

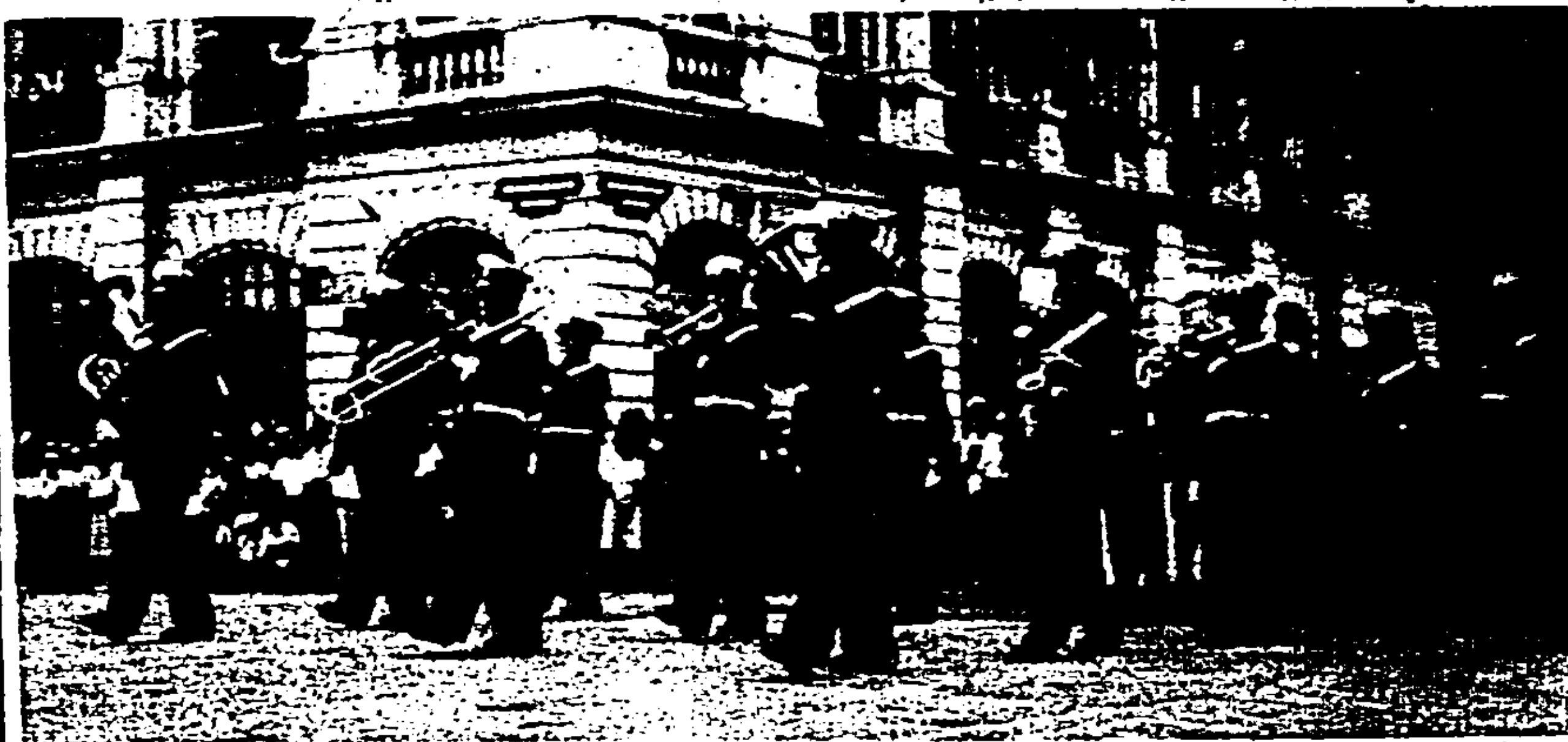


On Thursday last, Trafalgar Day was observed in Hong Kong by the traditional Beating of the Retreat by the band and drums of HMS Sussex. A Royal Marine Guard from the same ship paraded with the band.

The Guard of Royal Marines rigidly at the "present" as the White Ensign is lowered at the conclusion of the Trafalgar Day ceremony at the Cenotaph.



Watched by a large crowd of spectators, the band of HMS Sussex marches to the Cenotaph to take part in the Beating of the Retreat in the observance of Trafalgar Day.



Attempting to cross in front of a moving tram, the truck above crushed the driver's cabin of the tram with the rear of its tray. In the accident, which occurred at the junction of Queen's Road East and Hennessy Road near Arsenal Street, no one was injured.



Mr. Alex Frieder, President of Frieder Films, was given a cordial welcome on his visit to Hong Kong. The above photo shows Mr. Frieder (seated centre) with the managers of the leading theatres in Hong Kong. (China Mail Photo)



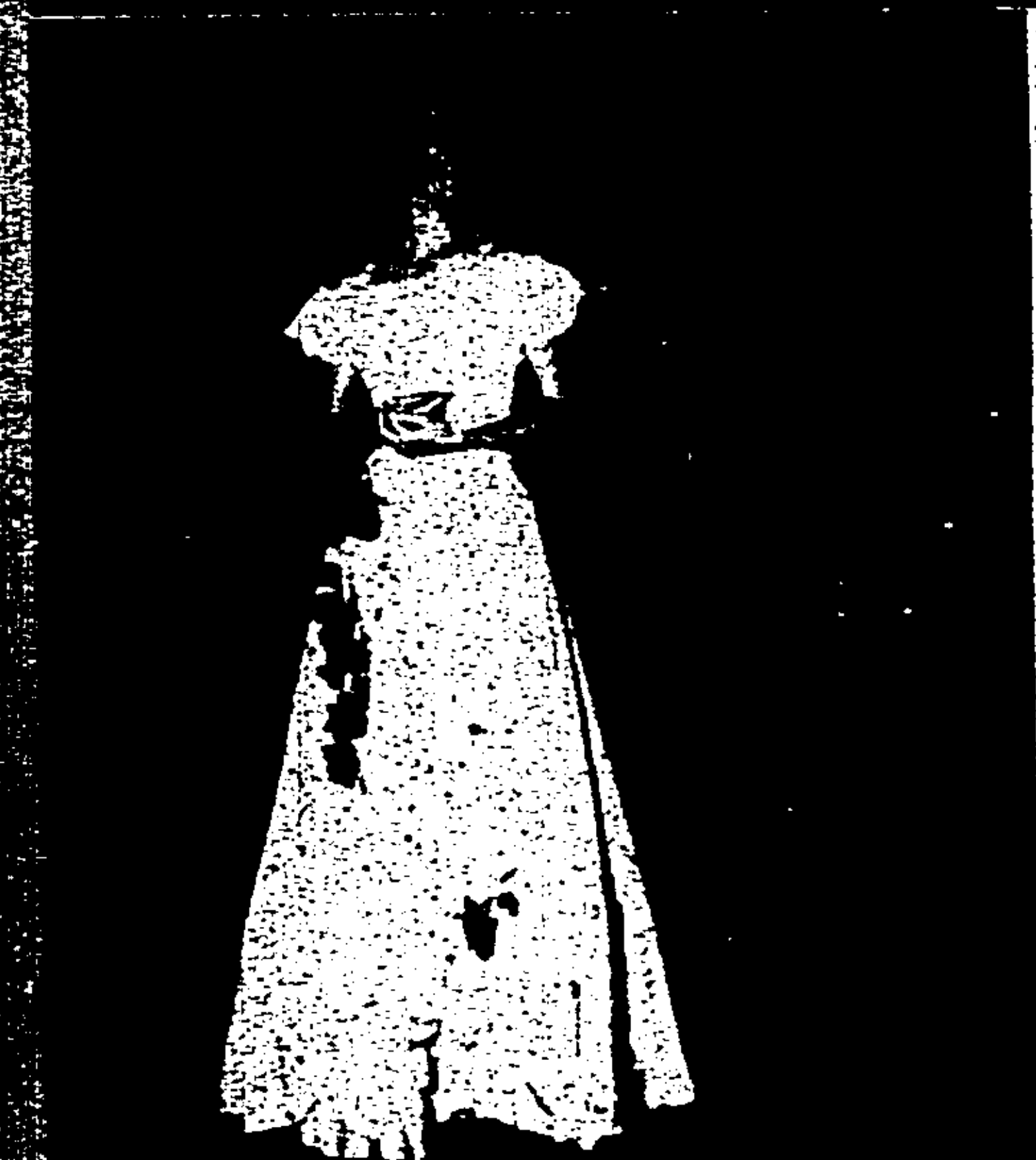
A dinner party held at the Golden City restaurant in honour of Mr. Alex Frieder. (China Mail Photo)



At the Fashion show presented by the Linen Chest at the Hong Kong Hotel, on October 15. Photo shows Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Collins, Miss Node, Mrs. Muskett, Mrs. Harper, Mrs. Esmail, Miss Anderson, Miss Romer.



Mr. Leonel Jose Remedios and his bride, formerly Miss Marie Angeline da Silva, photographed after their wedding at, Rosary Church on Sunday, October 17. (A. White).



Miss Anderson wearing the "Debutante" frock designed by Mrs. L. Parkes. Mrs. Harper can be seen in the background. (China Mail Photo)

An exhibition of Chinese paintings was formally opened by Lady Grantham at St. John's Cathedral Hall. (China Mail Photo)



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Bird's eye view of factory.



Wood preserving pool.



Bleaching Chamber.

Cutting the 30" logs.



Heading for the packing and bleaching chambers.



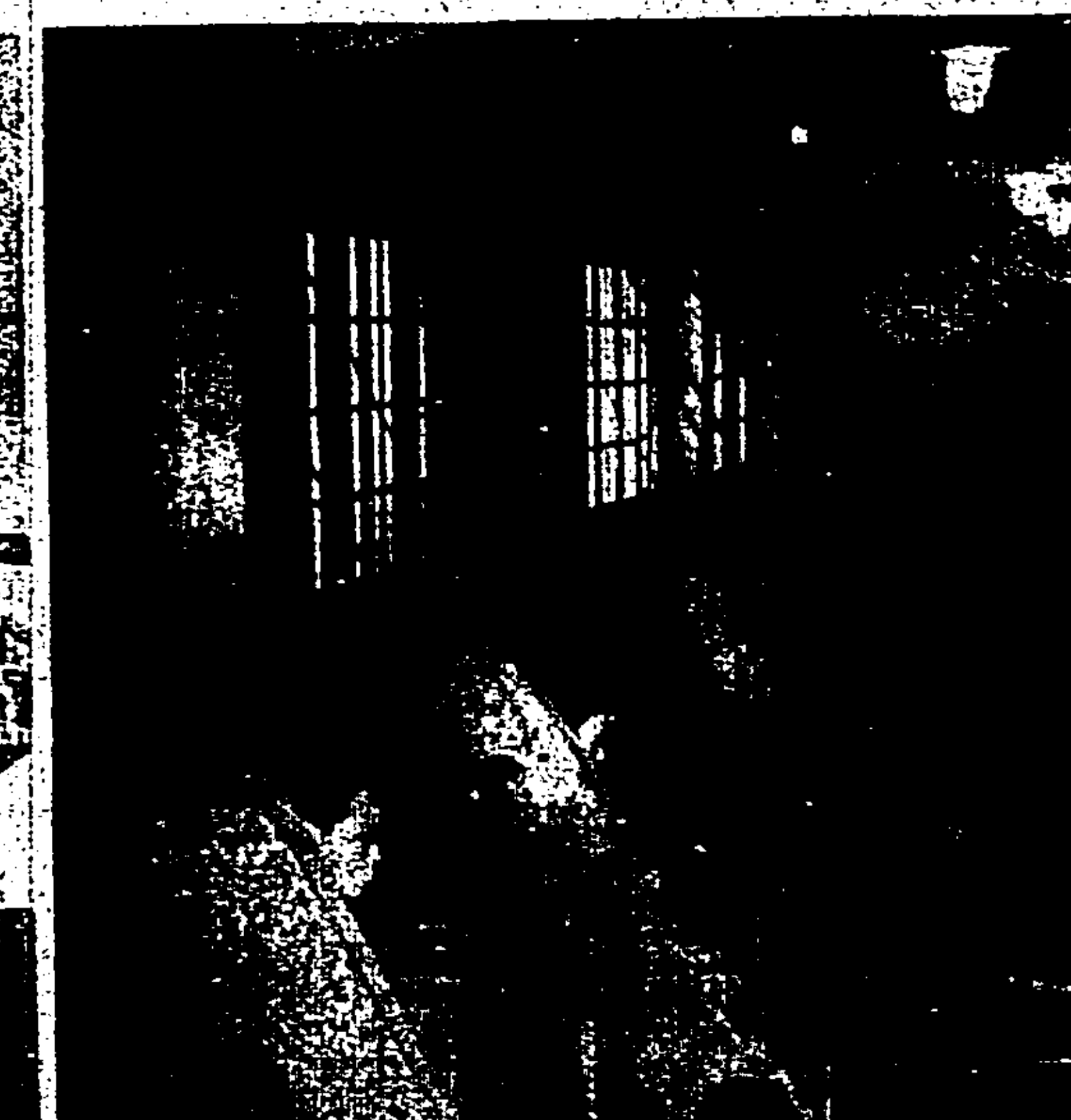
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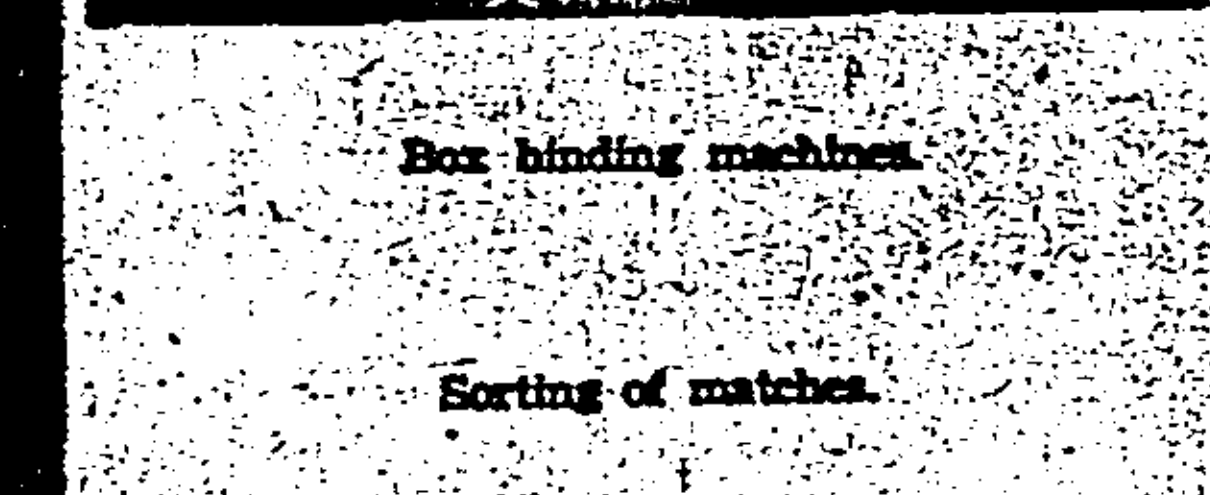
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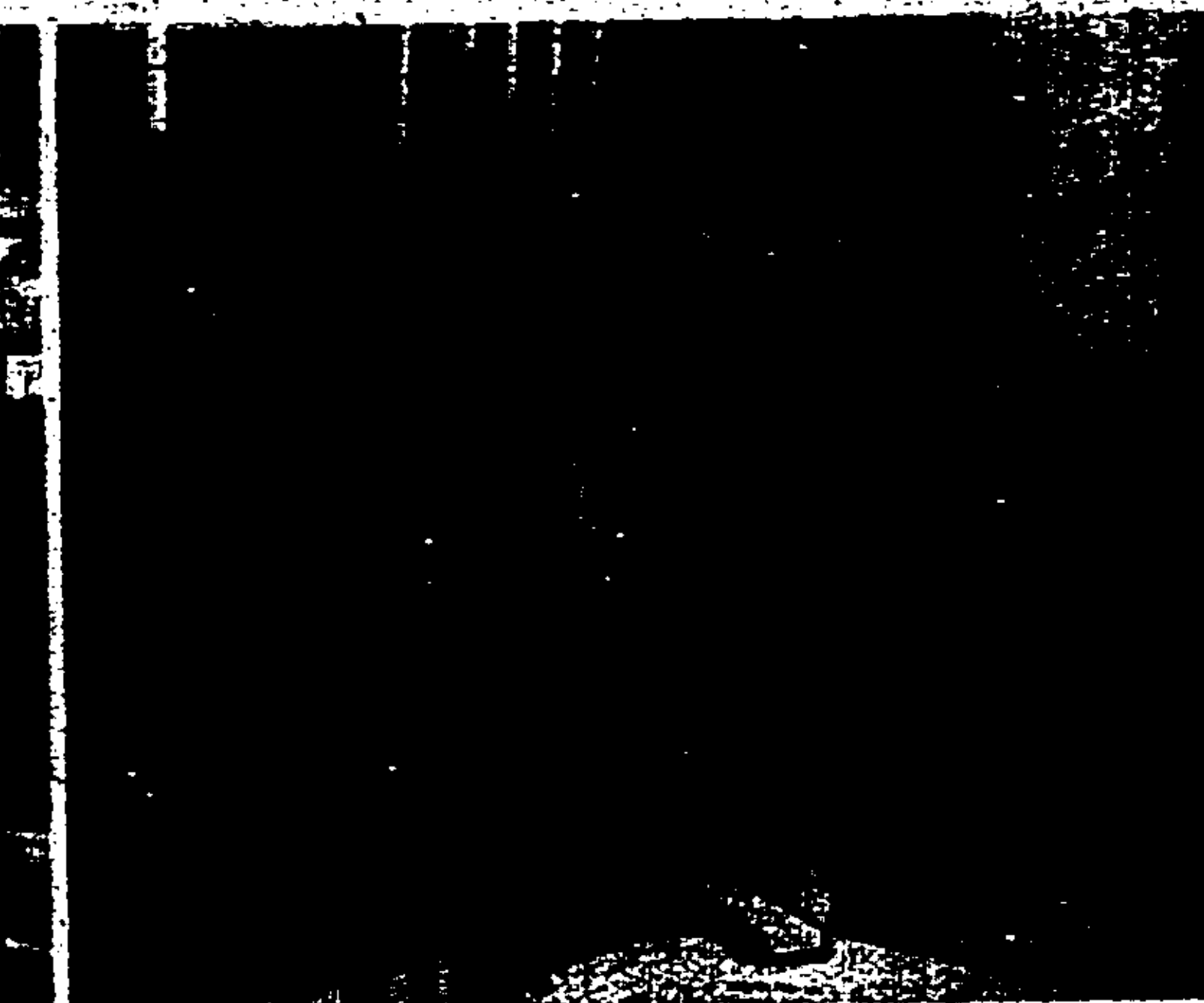
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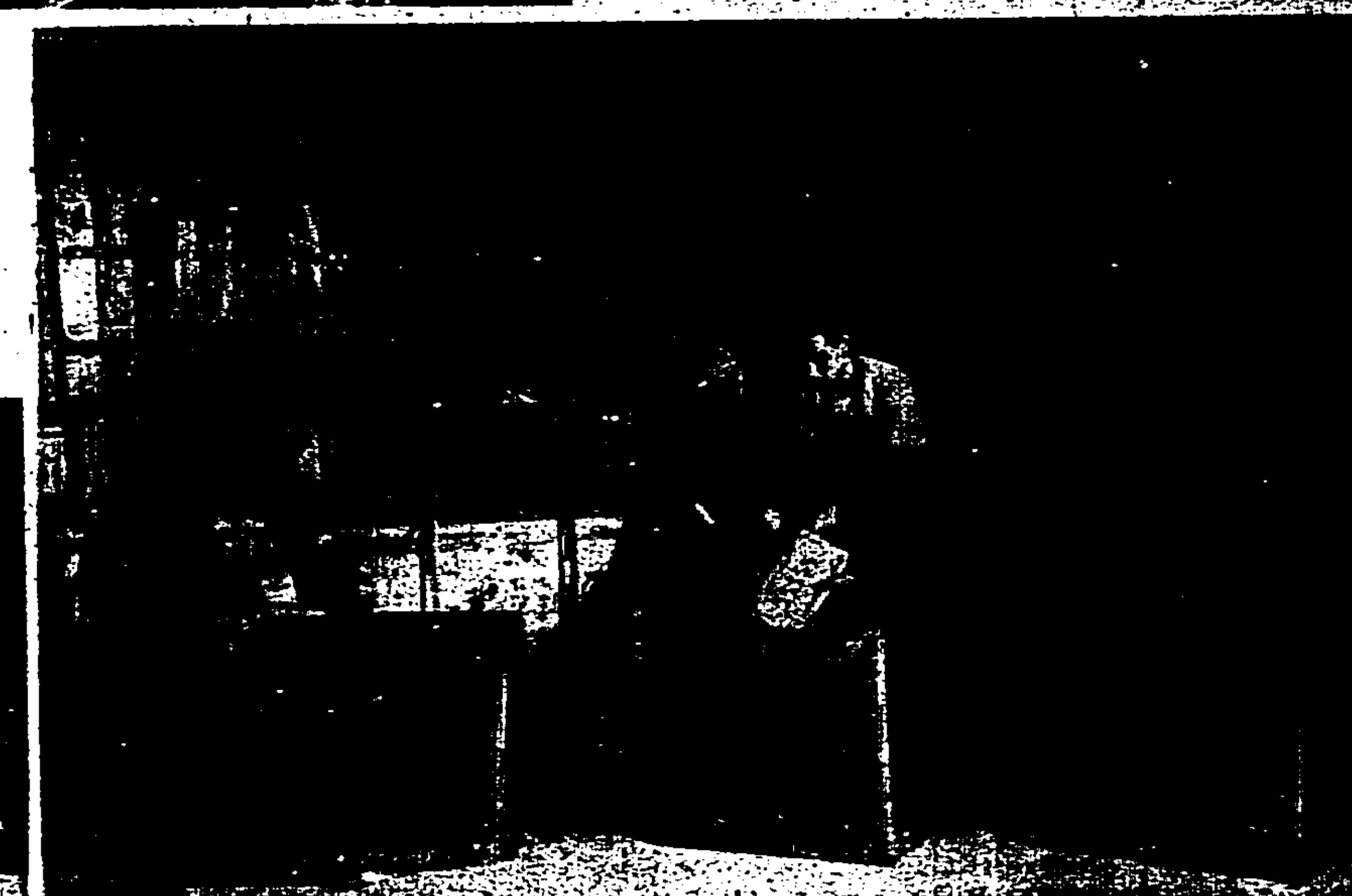
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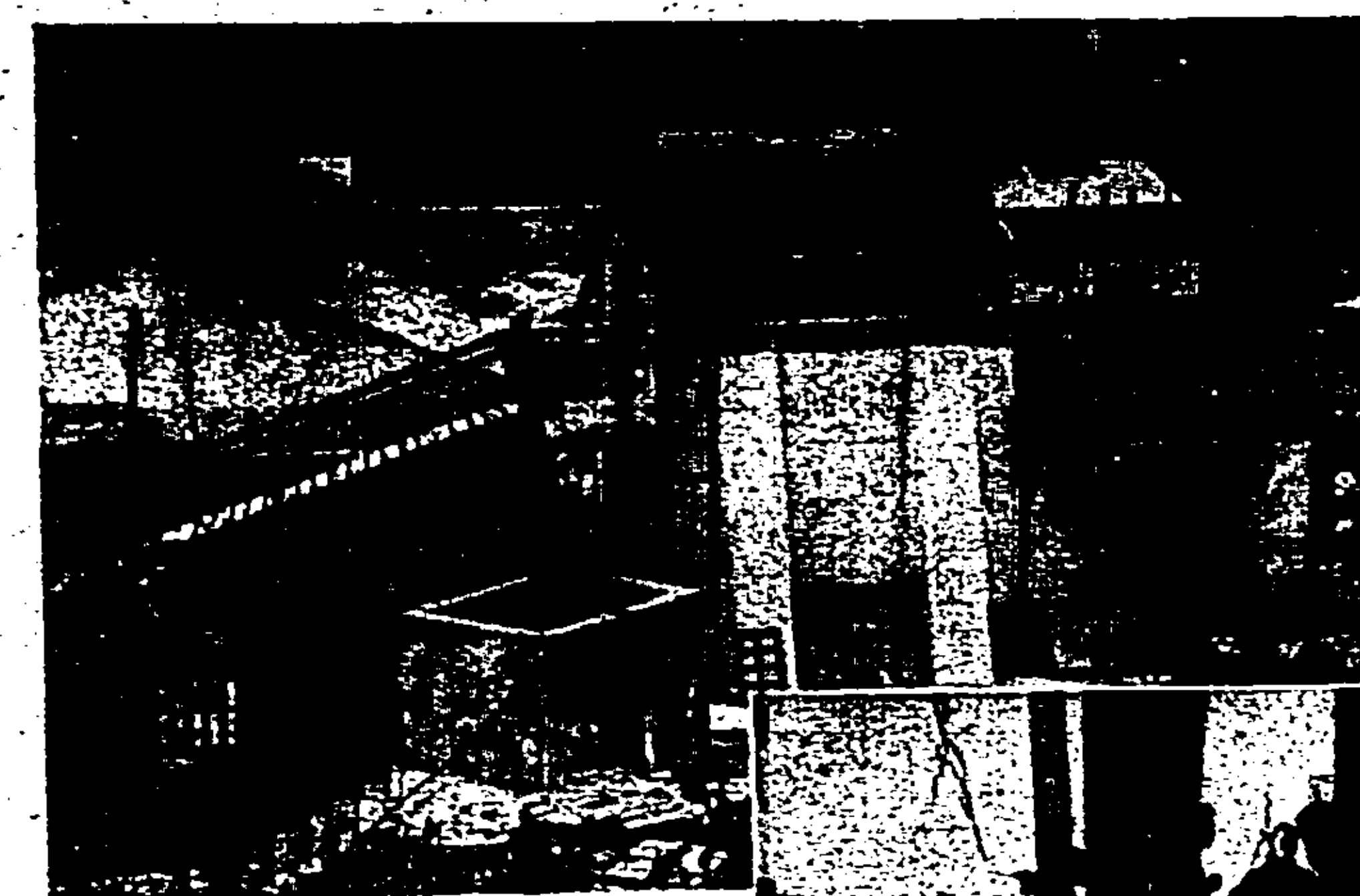
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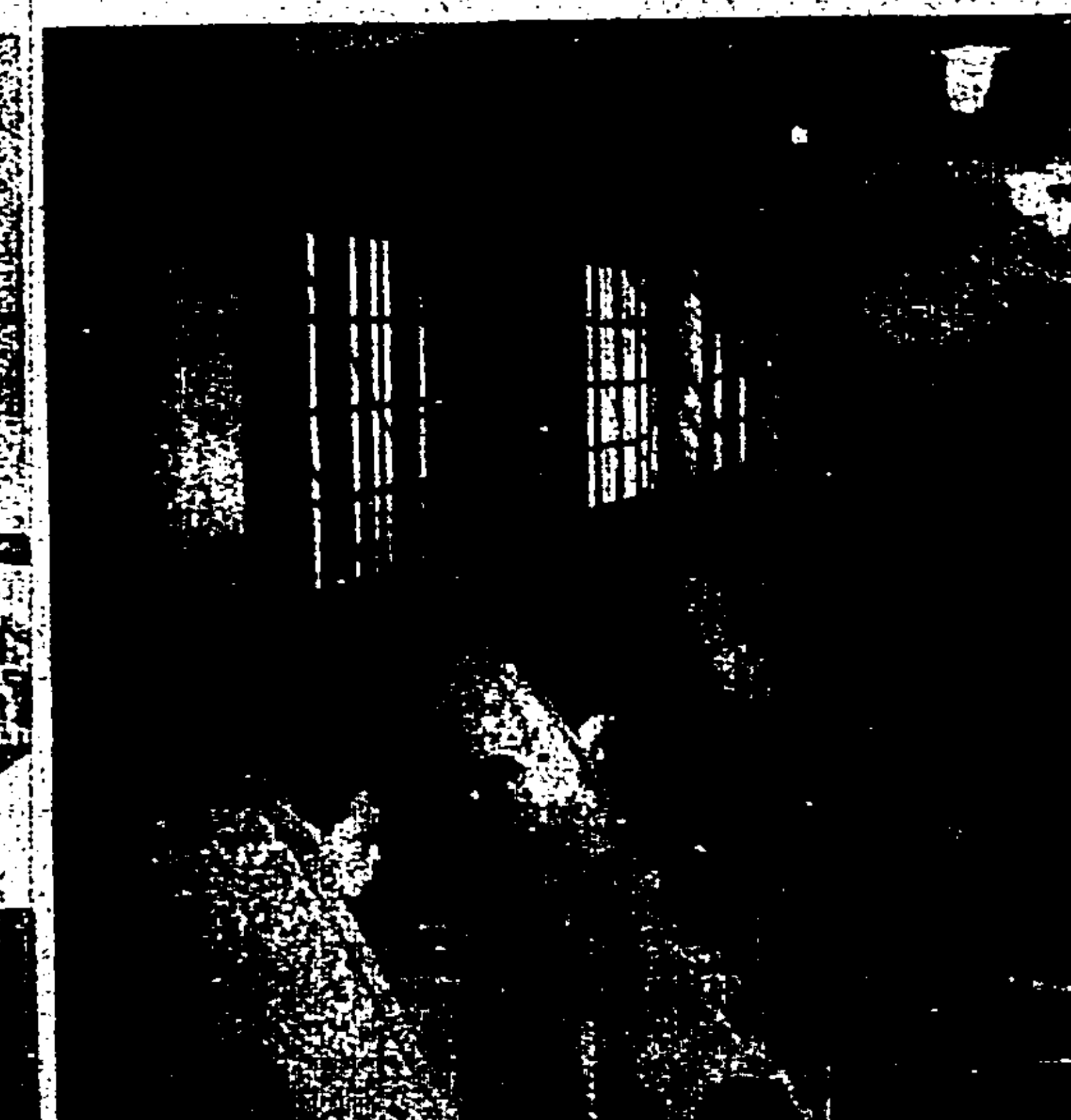
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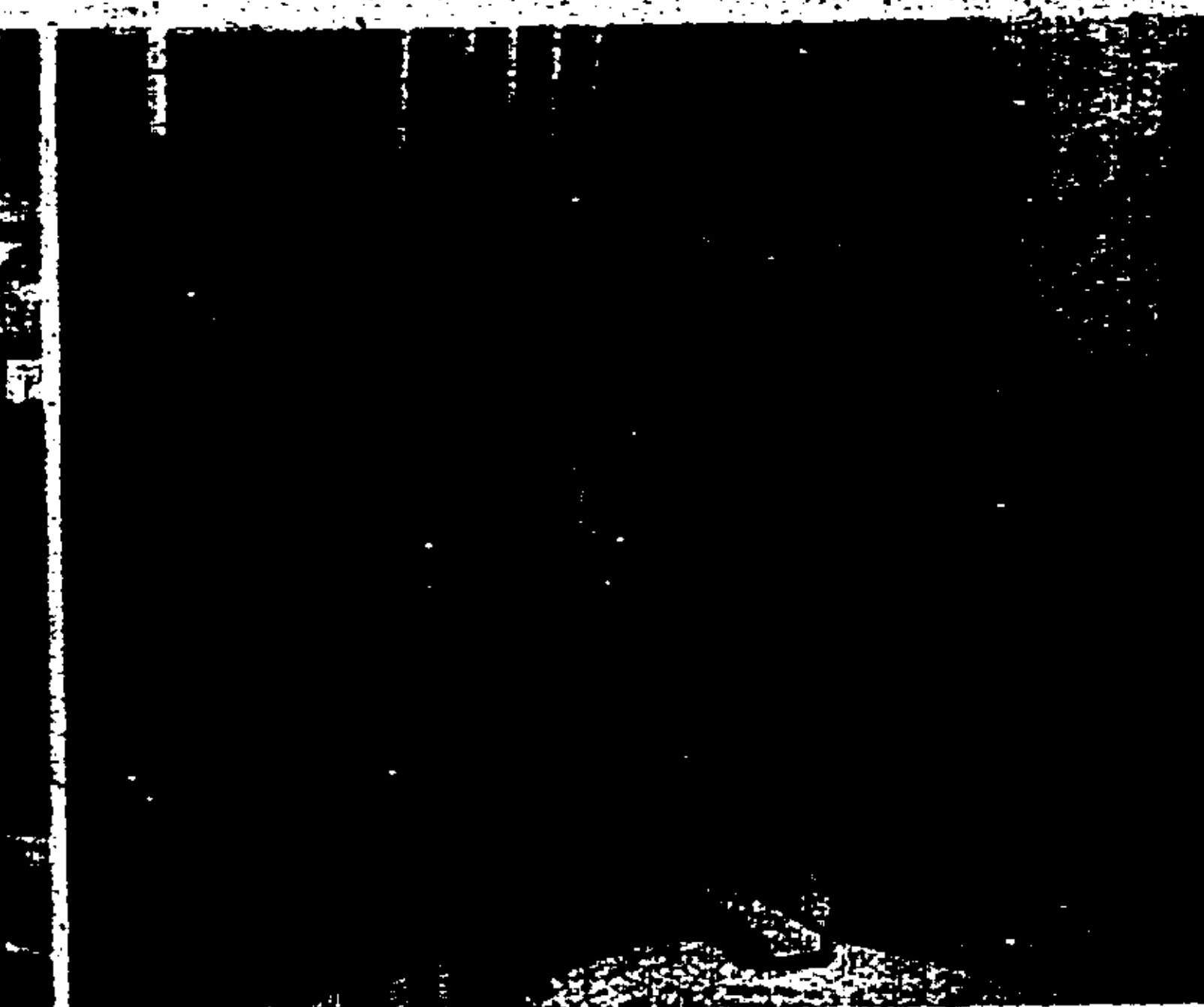


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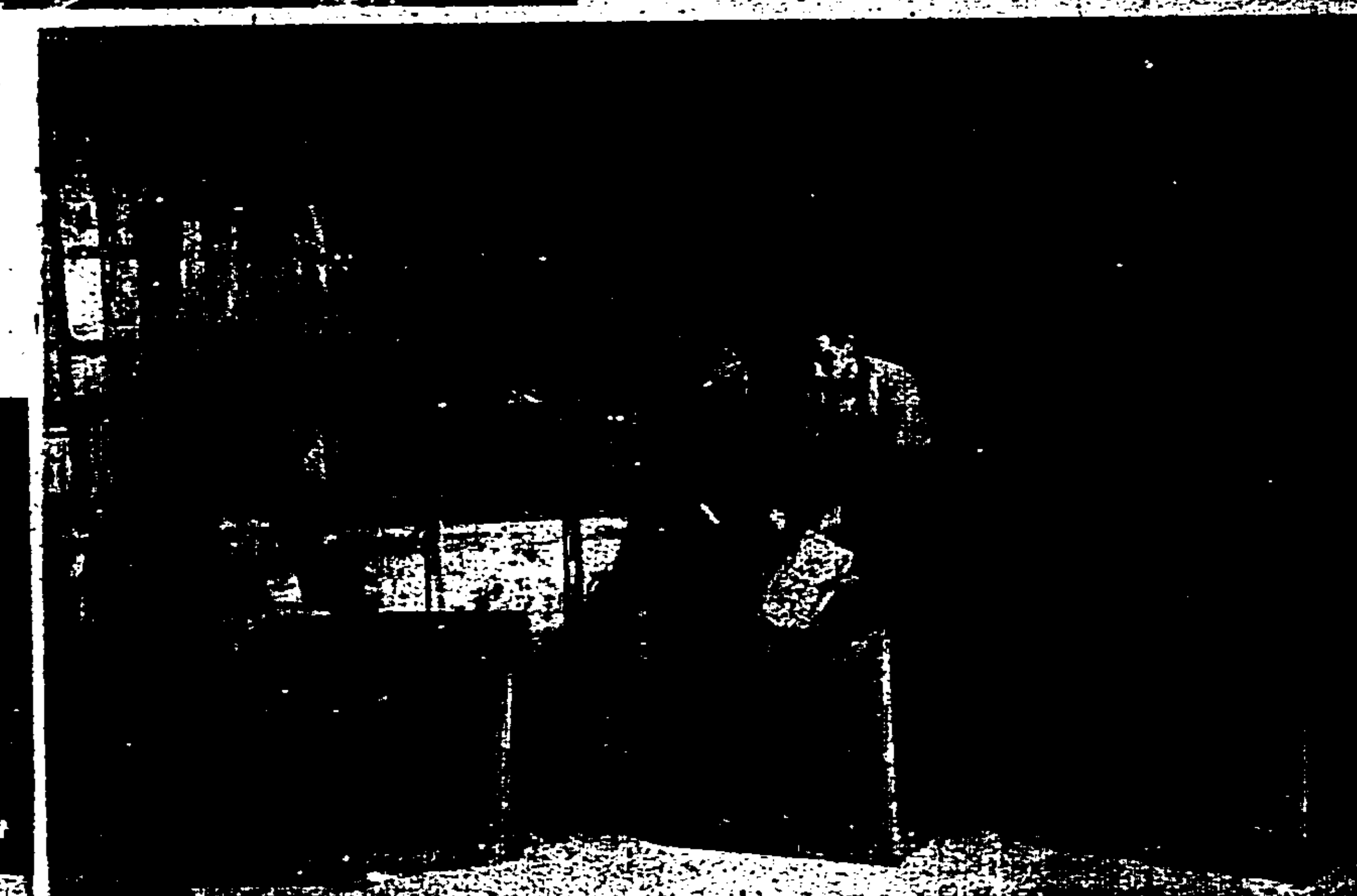
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BERLIN CRISIS PLAN VETOED BY RUSSIANS

Stormy Council Session Ends In Complete Failure BRAMUGLIA TO TRY AGAIN

Paris, October 25.

The Russian delegate, Andrei Y. Vyshinsky, angrily vetoed the Berlin compromise plan in the United Nations Security Council today.

There were quick signs that the United States, Britain and France might carry the fight to the floor of the General Assembly. The big three delegates conferred with the acting President, Juan A. Bramuglia, when the stormy Council session ended. Afterward Mr. Bramuglia and the US delegate both said they would keep on trying for a solution.

Well-informed American and British sources predicted that the Foreign Ministers of the Big Three would meet tonight or on Tuesday to consider taking the Berlin fight before the Assembly. The Ukraine joined with Russia in voting against the compromise plan of China and five other powers. The Big Three voted with the six sponsors for the plan.

Before the vote, M. Vyshinsky denounced the plan with much shouting and arm waving. Delegates of the Big Three spoke in favour of the US delegate, Dr. Philip C. Jessup, charging that a Russian veto would place responsibility for failure to solve the Berlin dispute squarely and unambiguously on the government of the Soviet Union.

Dr. Jessup said if "the Soviet Union wants to drive us out of Berlin, while we have the right to be there they cannot have that."

Soviet Objection

M. Vyshinsky said his main objection to the compromise plan was that it called for immediate lifting of Russian "restrictions" in Berlin but only for "talks" about using Soviet marks in all four Berlin zones. M. Vyshinsky steadfastly refused to call the "restrictions" a blockade.

Today's Council session was delayed three hours in starting while the Big Three considered and rejected a counter-proposal by M. Vyshinsky. It called for lifting the blockade by stages while currency reform took effect. Delegates of the neutral powers, including China, joined with the United States, British and French delegates in an hour-long meeting behind locked doors at the apartment of Mr. Bramuglia to

study the proposal. Mr. Bramuglia then carried the rejection to the Council session. First Alexander Parodi of France spoke. He thanked the neutrals for their efforts, said the compromise plan provided common ground for negotiation and France accepted in a spirit of conciliation.

Britain Accepts

Sir Alexander Cadogan, of Britain next said the British Government "accepts this resolution which they consider offers a fair solution." Then Dr. Jessup spoke. He paid tribute to the "sincere and able" efforts of the Chinese and other delegates who drafted the plan. Dr. Jessup said it was "a result of imaginative and sincere efforts to find a just solution."

M. Vyshinsky then demanded the floor and launched a bitter attack. Breaking his Kremlin-imposed silence on the Berlin issue for the second time, he said the plan violated the Moscow agreement of the Big Four Foreign Ministers of last August 30. M. Vyshinsky said that agreement called for simultaneous lifting of "restrictions" and currency reform.

No Conciliation

M. Vyshinsky told the Council that he would protect the Soviet zone of Germany against the "danger" created by introduction of the Western mark in Germany. "The removal of restrictions (the blockade) by the USSR is precluded on the condition of the currency reform," M. Vyshinsky said.

Dr. Jessup resumed the floor and denounced the Russian attack.

DISARMING PLAN TURNED DOWN

Paris, October 25.

The United Nations sub-committee today rejected the Soviet disarmament proposal by six votes to two, with two abstentions.

The Soviet had proposed a one-third reduction of Big Five armaments and armed forces and the outlawing of atomic weapons.

Britain, the United States, Brazil, Belgium, China and France opposed the proposal. Russia and Poland voted for it and the Lebanon and Australia abstained. El Salvador, the remaining member of the sub-committee, was absent.

The group then adopted by 7-2 with one abstention the Belgian proposal admitting that no agreement is currently possible and calling on the Security Council through the Commission for Conventional Disarmaments to pursue the study of disarmament as soon as improvement in the international atmosphere permits.

A last minute proposal by Poland prevented the sub-committee from completing the work by sending a recom-

munication to the Council. "If the Soviet Union wants negotiations under threat of a blockade, that they cannot have," he said.

"The Soviet Government cannot get all it wants without the blockade," he said.

Dr. Jessup "listened in vain" throughout M. Vyshinsky's speech for any sign of conciliation. He considered M. Vyshinsky's remarks a flat admission that Russia would continue the blockade to attain its end.

M. Vyshinsky was asked after the Council adjournment if he had any proposals to solve the Berlin question. "My position is clear," he snapped. "There is nothing to add to it."

To Keep Trying

It was Russia's 20th veto in the Council. France has used the veto twice but Britain, the US and China have never used it.

"I will keep on trying to get a peaceful settlement," Mr. Bramuglia told newsmen.

"I am sure neither of the parties wants to reach the worst now. And it is my duty to try to bring them to an agreement. Their differences have been very much ironed out so far and they may still be brought to a coincidence in viewpoints."

An authoritative British source said tonight that the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers had arranged a meeting at 630 GMT on Tuesday to decide the next step.

The source said that the US Secretary of State, George Marshall, the British Foreign Secretary, Ernest Bevin, and the French Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, would meet at the French Foreign Ministry. Associated Press.

Eire To Cut Last Links

Dublin, October 26. The Prime Minister, John A. Costello, said last night that Eire maintains its decision to cut its last legal link with Britain.

He told a news conference that a bill to repeal the External Relations Act will be introduced at the Parliament session which starts in November.

That Act requires King George's signature on Eire's diplomatic credentials and is the country's last legal tie with the British Commonwealth.—Associated Press.

Paraguayan Revolt Is Crushed

Buenos Aires, October 25.

An official Paraguayan communication today said that the Government was in complete control of the brief revolt led by Army cadets at Asuncion, and described the rebellion as an "act of insanity."

The communique was broadcast by the Paraguayan national radio, which said Government forces had recaptured the Military Academy in Asuncion.

The official broadcast said the Academy surrendered at 7:40 p.m. just before the national network broadcast a message from President Natalino Gonzalez warning the students that the Army would "inevitably crush" their rebellion.

President Gonzalez ordered the cadets to "lay down their arms and abandon the camp of sedition." He promised that there would be no reprisals against those who surrendered.—United Press.

GERMAN INDUSTRY

Britain And USA Still Disagree

London, October 26.

Britain and the United States still have not reached concrete agreement on an American proposal to curtail the dismantling of German industrial plants.

A British Foreign Office spokesman indicated this yesterday.

He called attention to a daily news conference to London newspaper reports quoting Mr. Paul Hoffman, Economic Co-operation Administrator, as saying in Berlin on Sunday that he hoped to announce on Tuesday the list of plants on which dismantling will be stopped.

The spokesman said that an announcement is expected "in a day or two" but said he was "not aware that it would contain any list of plants."

Discussions between Britain and America have so far been

Election In Berlin Will Be Held

Berlin, October 25.

The acting Lord Mayor of Berlin, Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, at a special meeting of the City Assembly today, read a letter he sent to the Soviet Commandant, Major General Alexander Kotikov.

The letter rejected the Russian conditions for agreement to municipal elections in the Eastern sector.

It said: "The City Administration intends to take all possible steps to guarantee elections in Berlin regardless of whether Soviet permission is granted."

"The City Administration will guarantee the right of the people of the Soviet sector to express their will freely on December 5, even if the elections are banned by the Soviets."

The Deputy Chairman of the City Assembly, Dr. Walter Schreiber, also read a letter he wrote to the Russian Deputy Commandant, Colonel Alexis Yelissarov. The letter was a reply to a request that Dr. Schreiber take "appropriate action" against several leading pro-Western politicians accused by the Russians of making Fascist and provocative speeches which led to anti-Soviet disorders last month. The reply said: "After a careful study of the documents, I have to report that I see no reason for taking action against any of the politicians you name."

Boycott

The Assembly approved a recommendation by the Council of Elders that City Assembly members from the Soviet sector should remain in office after the elections unless General Kotikov reversed his decision not to allow voting in Eastern Berlin.

The effect of the decision will be that Assembly members of the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party will continue after the elections to boycott meetings of the Assembly.

Plans For Western Germany

London, October 25.

The three Western Military Governors of Germany will consider at their next meeting, due to be held at Frankfurt on October 30, a completed draft of the future occupation statute for Germany.

The draft is now being prepared by a tripartite working party at Bonn.

The British and American members of the drafting team are supporting plans to establish German commercial missions abroad after the occupation statute comes into force and after the establishment of a West German Government.

It is understood that there is no question of any of the three powers agreeing to normal German diplomatic representation abroad at this stage.

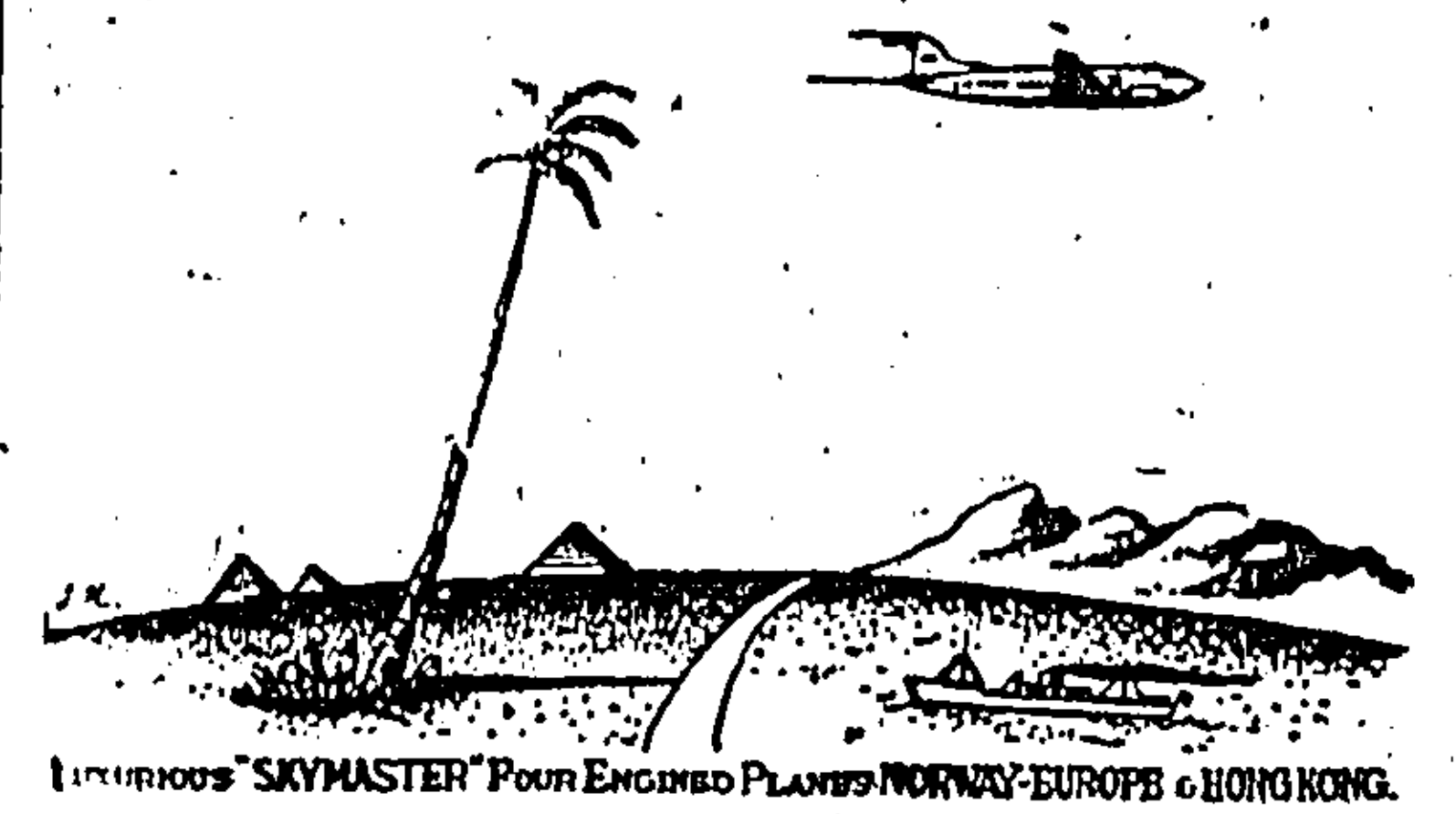
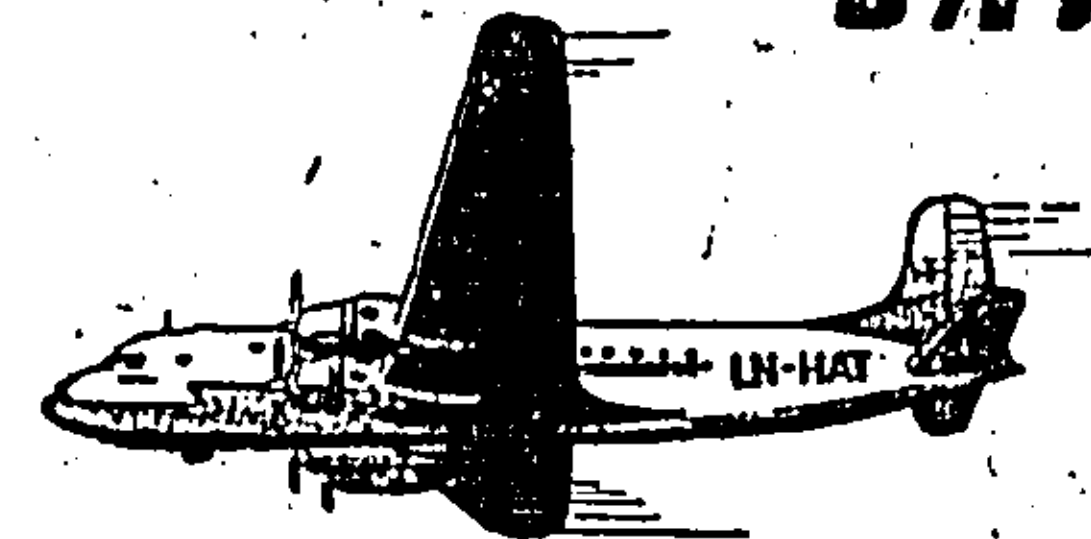
Though the draft text is expected to be ready for the Western Military Governors on Saturday, it is thought likely that both they and the three Governments concerned may wish to make substantial changes before it is finally agreed.—Reuter.

SHINWELL'S SEAT

Seaham, October 25. Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, the Secretary of War, who has represented the Seaham division of Durham for the past 13 years, has been selected as Labour candidate for the new Easington division created by the redistribution scheme.

Easington, which has a large mining population, includes an area of Old Seaham division with the exception of the Urban District of Seaham Harbour which goes to the adjoining Houghton, Le Spring Division.—Reuter.

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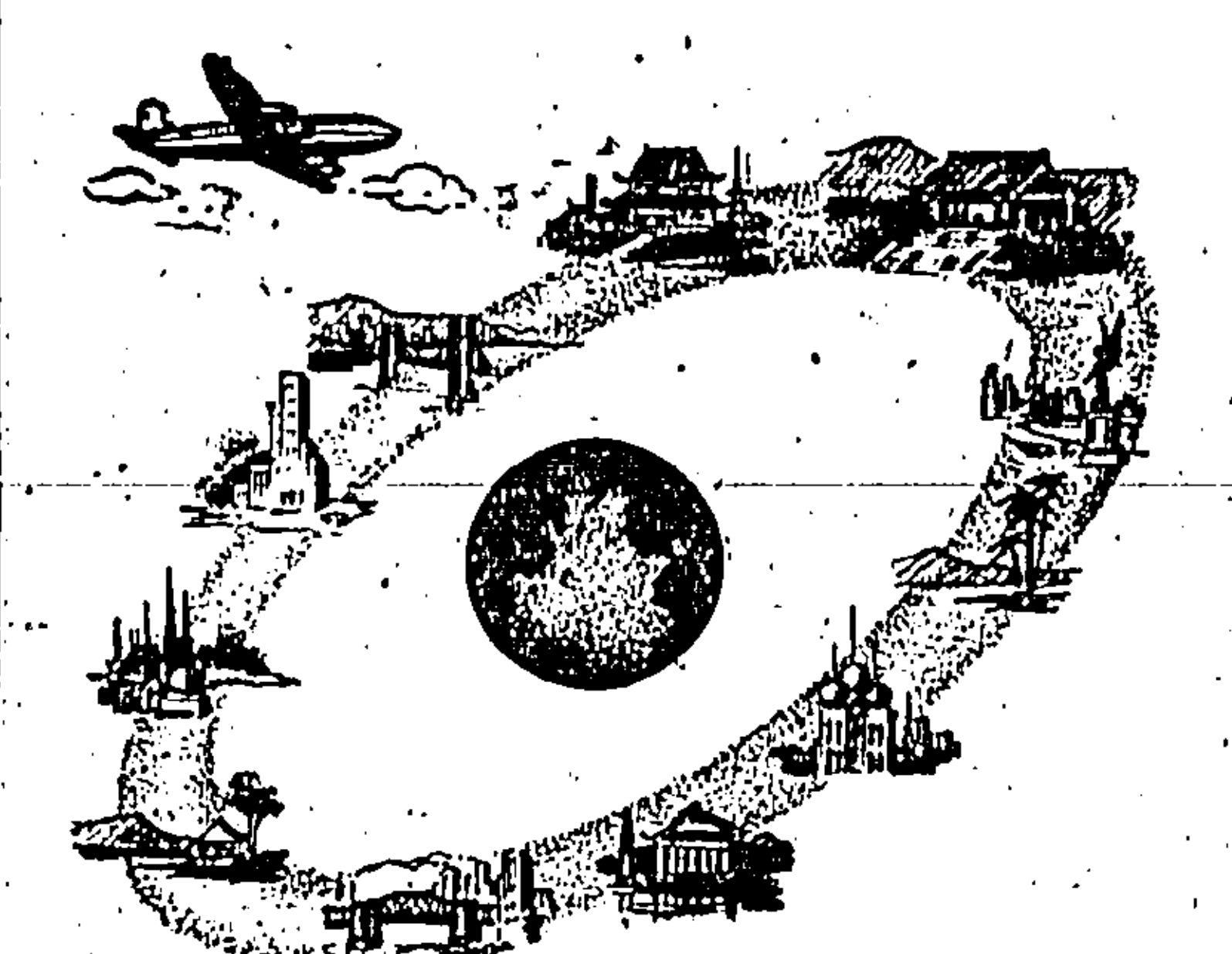
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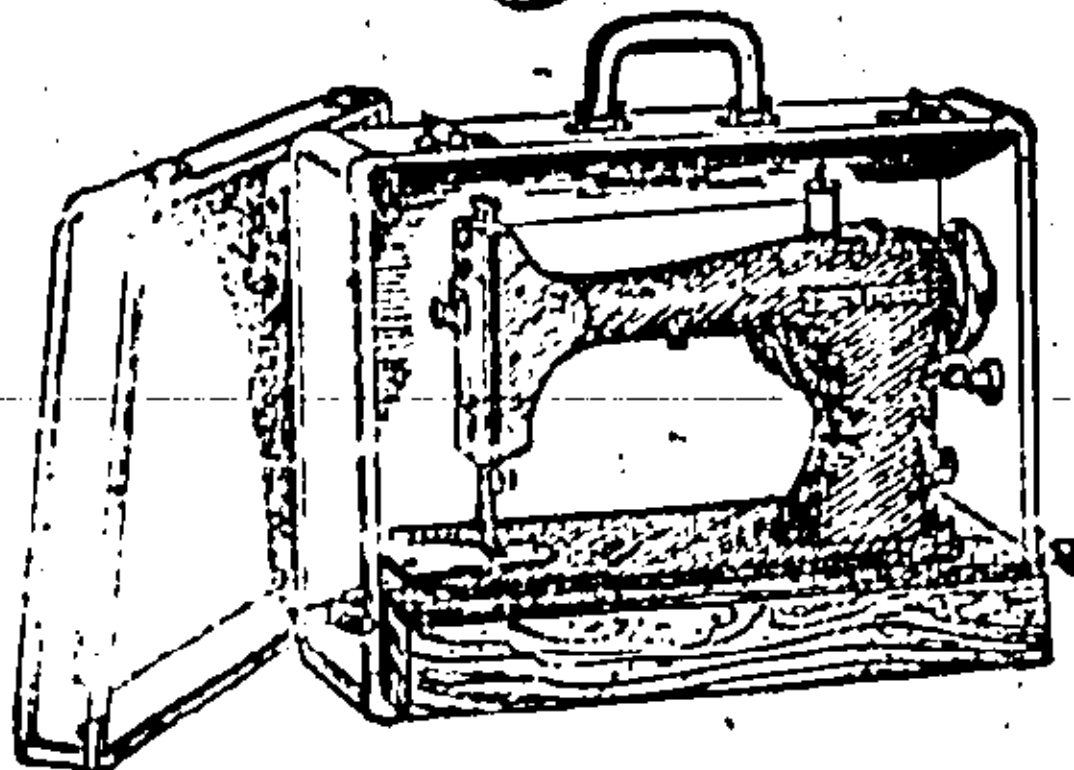


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For sheer originality in the way of entertainment with meals given me the promoters of parties I have attended during the past week.

Not for them the banalities of muted fiddles, or the distractions of dancing girls as we prepared for the soup and pondered over the poultry.

No, we were regaled with something to warm the cockles of our womanly hearts—a shoes display, a blouse display, a hair-dressing display, and some cocktails thrown in, should any of these luxuries have brought on a fainting display.

Chunky Footwear

Surely not often can the dignified walls of the ballroom at Grosvenor House resound with the cacophony of hammers and chisels as they did the other day.

Workmen were busy putting the last stages to stands which are to exhibit British footwear to home and overseas buyers. Every few yards one fell over painters, carpenters, artists, window dressers and numerous unclassified persons.

If a frame really does make any difference to a picture, those shoes ought to sell.

Above the din two pianists struggled valiantly on two grand pianos and some glamorous minnequins wandered backwards and forwards displaying shoes.

This winter, it seems, we are going to wear either high stiletto heels or such flat ones that they might as well not be there at all.

"Chunky" was the word we heard a dozen times from the lips of the engaging young man

with a microphone who described each shoe as it appeared.

My own reaction to many of them was that the average shoe is "chunky" enough without making it look twice as large.

And if ever I was convinced that flat heels and long skirts do not "go," I was then. Even the trained grace of the minnequin could not surmount it.

Several of the heel-less models have yards of lacing reaching half-way up the calf. It looks very striking and Grecian, but is scarcely practical if you're in a hurry.

One thing I was pleased to see was an excellent tailored "city-country" model in tan, with a medium all-leather heel.

In the evening this winter, even if you can't have the world at your feet, you can certainly have the world's eyes directed there.

You can wear satin booties with lace tops that tie in a frill around your ankle. Or you might prefer a plain black court shoe with a black and gold ankle bracelet, while jewels around your neck will be repeated in your shoe heels.

With such elaborate footwear no wonder the newest trend for evening dresses is to be lifted to mid-calf in the front so that we can all get a look at the feet.

It was at the May Fair that I saw the blouses, very attractive and original models, but mostly displayed on such dead-looking dummies that it seemed tactless to have them near a lunch table.

However, a few of the numbers were worn by new girls who ate a hearty lunch with us and proved reassuring.

Home Poms

And now, to the piece-de-resistance in the way of entertainment, which was watching "girls" from seven to uncertainty giving themselves a permanent wave.

Receiving themselves a permanent wave is the operative phrase there. For this new type of "perm" is one which you can give yourself at home in three hours, and the results seemed professional.

At any rate, we watched a young woman brush her hair with a special preparation and proceed to curl it up in blue curlers as if it was bed-time.

We saw another model (whose hair had been "started," we were assured, two hours before) unwind her curlers and, they presto!

It is claimed that this hair-do lasts from four to six months.

First prize for originality goes to a girl I saw on the Tube last week who was wearing a peculiar necklace.

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He came into prominence when Lady Duff-Gordon's trade name of Lucille held a magic of its own; when skirts were ample, and graciousness was the keynote of woman's wear.

He lived through World War I, and in the 'twenties was ranked the dressmaker in London. He was the one man of whom Paris—with its Patous and Lanvins, its Poirets and its Lelongs, stood in a certain awe.

Know It All

Reville had a profound knowledge of fabrics, and knew exactly whence, how, and from whom to get the particular stuff he required—no matter how unusual—for the creation he had in mind.

Trained in both Paris and London, he knew every trick of the haute couturiers trade—or should one call it an art?

The man had style, at only in his clothes. His rooms, where he showed his dresses, were designed not as room's but solely as a background for the wares he wrought. His private house was a fantastic treasure-chamber of beautiful things.

As with his surroundings, so with his staff. His head vendeuse (Fashion still speaks French whenever it can!) knew more about the Court—from precedence to gossip—than half the Ladies-in-Waiting.

Even his mannequins carried the hall-mark of Reville. To be a Reville model was something like being a Gaiety Girl in the days of George Edwards in the reign of Edward the Peacemaker. Many of them married into the ranks of the Peerage.

His was the hand that set the (almost unchanged) fashion which made of Queen Mary the

Troubled Years

But Reville, with his passion for perfection, was a difficult man. His marriage disintegrated; he quarrelled with his directors—men of business—where Reville was an artist.

The world of fashion found new gods to follow.

He grew worried; there were rivalries, mergers, and as a result, between the Reville firm and Worth, next door. There were financial difficulties. There was friction and liquidation.

Under the strain, the flame of genius began to flicker. One thing alone did not desert him, even when his gift had gone—his pride. He grew ill, he grew cantankerous, he left the firm that still bears his name.

But he never condescended to work for anyone else; he who had ruled as an autocrat would not be a courtier.

He had a stroke and he well knew that he was finished; but he would not admit he was down and out. He lived alone in a single room in a fashionable part of London. He would meet those who had known him in the old days, and for them he was always full of plans for the future.

But the future, for him, was the past. As this month, in St. Luke's Hospital Chelsea, Reville died penniless—to become, for the first time for nearly half a century, William Wallace Terry once again.

Ann Temple
A Blind Spot

I've no eye for spotting celebrities. I reckon I'm pretty good at remembering faces of people I meet and talk to even if only once at a party, but I can't recognise theatre and film stars if they come along unless my attention is drawn to them.

Most of my friends can spot them instantly. What's the answer please?—BLIND SPOT. TALKING to people gives you time to collect visual detail, then the impression made on your mind is deep enough to start your memory ticking over when you see them again.

Watching stage and film stars you probably observe far more generally, taking impressions of settings, costume, so that when these are absent the facial impression alone isn't strong enough. You'll find that your quick-spotting friends can talk about the planes and curves of "star" faces, the shape of nose, chin, mouth.

This might interest you to get a clue to your observing. Ask a friend to call out the names of stars, giving you just sufficient time between each to write out the first word the name suggests to you. Only just time to write the word, not to think first.

I have two sons, one naturally speedy, finishing everything in double quick time. The other more intelligent really, but slow—slow in movement, thought, response.

In spite of his becoming flustered if he is hurried, should I go on trying to speed him up, seeing that he is bound to fall behind in school and life if he remains slow?—PARENT.

HE is more likely to fall behind if he grows up nervous-strained by fluster. There is a "slowness" of intelligence that is valuable. Slowness from depth of thought and feeling. The sculptor Rodin's "Slowness" is beauty. No, don't hurry him. Let him think and work and move to his natural tempo. He has qualities to develop that will be worth more to him than speed.

He imagines he has all sorts of illnesses. The doctor says it is hopeless to try to persuade him he is not ill.

RECIPES

CARAMEL CAKE.

½ cup brown sugar, 2 oz. shortening, 1 egg, ¼ cup milk, ¾ cup self-raising flour, vanilla, 1 tablespoon golden syrup, pinch of salt, 2 oz. chopped walnuts, ½ teaspoon cinnamon, caramel icing.

Cream the shortening and sugar. Separate the white from the yolk of egg. Add the egg yolk to the creamed mixture and beat in well. Sift together the dry ingredients. Mix the syrup, milk and vanilla. Add the dry ingredients, nuts and liquids alternately to the creamed mixture. Beat the egg whites until stiff and fold lightly through the mixture. Bake in a well-greased 8-inch sandwich tin in a moderate oven, temp. 375 deg. F. gas, 450 deg. F. electric, about 20 minutes. When cold, ice with caramel icing and sprinkle with chopped nuts.

Caramel icing: 1 cup brown sugar, 1 tablespoon shortening, ¼ cup milk, 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Place the sugar, shortening and milk into a saucepan. Stir until the mixture boils and allow to boil gently, about 8 minutes. Remove from the fire, beat until thick. Add the vanilla and spread over cake.

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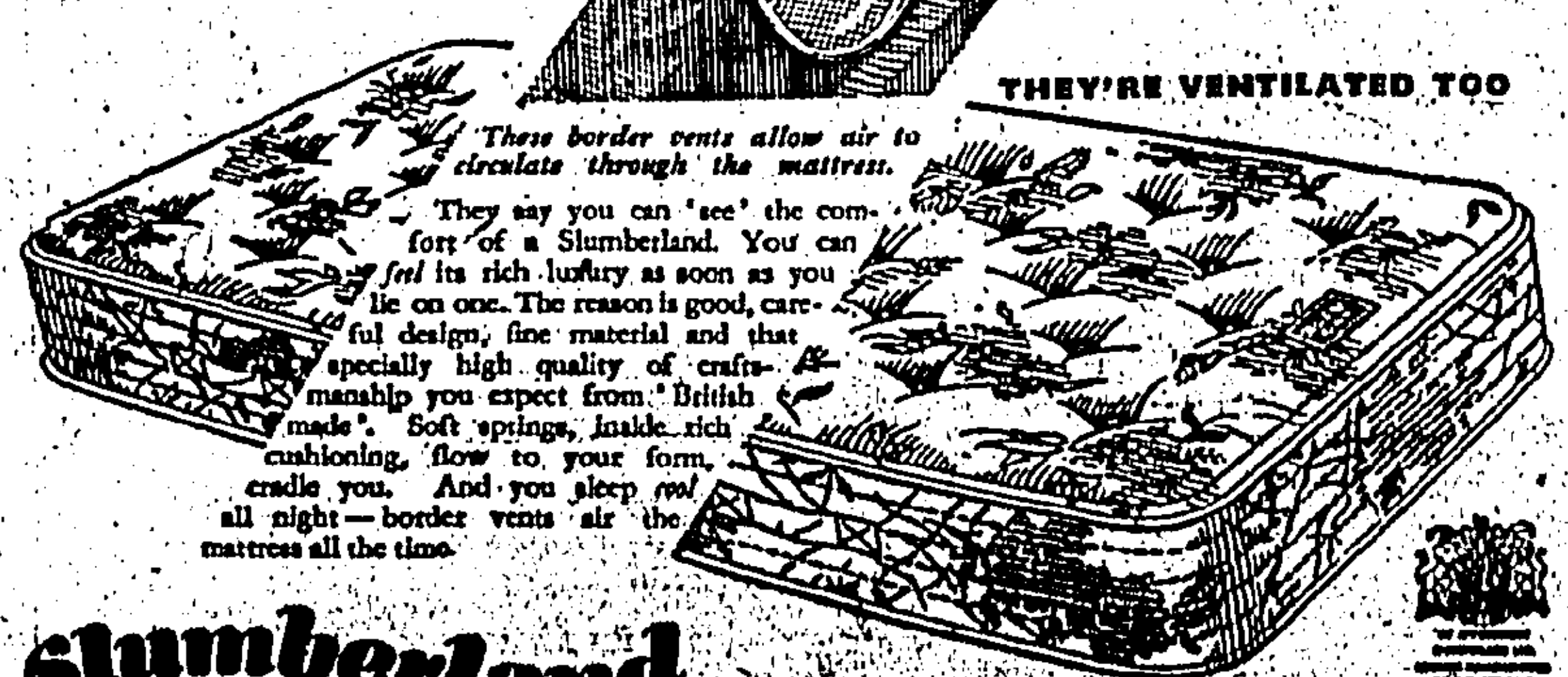
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Woman Gets Sentence For Fraud

London, October 25. A Canadian milk breeder, Mrs. Barbara Elizabeth Parsons, 33-year-old former racing motorist, was today sentenced to 12 months imprisonment for incurring credit by fraud at a London hotel and getting four pounds five shillings by means of a worthless cheque from a waiter in a night club.

Pleading for leniency at a London police court, defending counsel said that Mrs. Parsons was British-born and went to Canada. There her husband deserted her and subsequently induced her to leave without any allowance.

For two years she had carried on an extremely successful milk farm and recently came to England to visit her parents. She got mixed up with a very extravagant circle and became friendly with a person of some rank in the Navy. She was willing to pay all the money it given time.

The magistrate said that Mrs. Parsons was deported from New York last January. She was convicted of fraud in 1942 and 1943, and had contracted two bigamous marriages. Had the case come to trial and had he been the judge, he would have given her penal servitude, he said.—Reuter.

KING'S REVIEW OF "TERRIERS"

London, October 25. The King will review 1,000 members of the Territorial Army drawn from all Home Command and Northern Ireland on the Guard's parade ground in Hyde Park next Sunday afternoon.

This announcement was made in a special order by Major General J. C. O. Marriott, commanding the London District. The parade will be commanded by Major General G. W. Symes, Commanding the 43rd Wessex Infantry Division.

About 800 A.T.S. will be included. Units of the Royal Auxiliary Air Force and the Royal Naval Volunteer Reserve will fly past before the inspection. Seven military bands and three pipe bands will play.—Reuter.

NANKING COLLAPSE "IN SIX MONTHS"

New York, October 25. A Scripps-Howard editorial today quoted neutral military observers as saying that Republican China may collapse under the Red attack in three to six months.

It said: "If that happens, half the world will be under Communist control."

The editorial continued: "Sympathetic and determined American assistance as late as a year ago might have averted the present crisis."

"It was not given and there is now no prospect of a sincere effort to save China unless and until there is a change in the

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Paris, October 25. An army of troops and police, unofficially estimated at between 25,000 and 30,000 men, entered the Douai Valenciennes coalfields of Northern France at dawn today.

As the French miners strike went into its 22nd day these forces began occupying pithead installations held by strike pickets.

An official of the Central Administration of the State-controlled coal industry said tonight that the strikers had capitulated in at least 20 pits East of Douai in the Douai Valenciennes coal belt.

Troop and police operations elsewhere in the Northern coalfields had been successful, he added.

This was the first time that such a large-scale troops movement has been carried out in the Northern fields and bloody clashes in the Central and Southern fields last week led to fears of more violence today.

Early this afternoon, however, the operation—over an area 28 miles by ten, from the Belgian frontier to the Douai-Lille road—seemed to have passed over successfully with no serious opposition anywhere.

The overwhelming show of strength was thought by some observers to have convinced the strikers that resistance was useless.

Moroccan Troops

Moroccan troops were among the units deployed, according to the Douai special correspondent of the Paris Conservative paper, Le Monde.

The correspondent said he saw at one point "the biggest group of vehicles ever seen in the coalfield—jeeps, light tanks, armoured cars, ambulances, lorries, field kitchens."

The correspondent added that at Valenciennes, a group of 200 strikers, stationed calmly at the entrance to the town, said: "The Spies, Moroccans, have been taken. The Mobile Guards and the Republican Security Guards tumbled down on us from lorries. There were not enough of us to resist, but we are calling the comrades up. We will soon shift them."

This correspondent's general impression from talks with the miners was, however, that no serious resistances need be expected.

"They are still quite plainly stunned by the unending deployment of troops and the decision of the campaign," he wrote. The Minister of the Interior, M. Jules Moch, announced the troop movements in a lunch-time

broadcast. He gave no precise figures, but added that reinforcements in large numbers were available nearby.

Twenty delegates of the Force Ouvriere, Catholic and Foremen's Unions, gathered today at St. Etienne in answer to Mayor de Fraissinette's appeal for conciliation and mediation moves.

Will Triumph

A Communist union representative was present but said that he was without a mandate. The conference agreed on a resolution to be forwarded to the Loire Department Prefect asking the Government to reconsider its position and take up negotiations with union leaders at the national level.

It asked for a nationwide withdrawal of troops and police from the coalfields, accompanied by a guarantee for the unions for safety men to carry on their work.

Ten thousand people quietly attended the funeral at Firminy, near St. Etienne, today of a miner killed in a clash for possession of the Cambesfort pit last Friday.

M. Alan Le Lap, the Secretary General of the Communist CGT, said: "The miners will triumph. I accuse the Minister of the Interior of having made French blood flow needlessly."

At St. Etienne, the storm centre of the Loire coalfield, the Communist-led unions staged a 24-hour strike today in protest against the incidents last Friday at neighbouring Firminy.

A warrant was issued today for the arrest of M. Rene Fubiere, one of the national leaders of the Communist Miners Union, on a charge of assaulting a policeman during a strike incident.

Reign Of Terror

M. Moch, the Minister of the Interior, in his broadcast today, appealed to the miners to understand that it was "not against them but on their behalf" that troops had been deployed in the Nord Department.

"We are delivering them from a kind of reign of terror set up by a minority of agitators in the service of a cause which is not that of France and subsequently not that of the miners," he said.

"Very firm" orders had been given, he said, for immediate legal action against anyone guilty of "provocation, preparation or carrying out active or passive sabotage, or complicity therein, infringement of the right to work, or acts of violence or assault."

Reminding the miners of "what has happened in other coalfields," he appealed to them not to "try to attack the forces of order."

"Do not heed the agitators. Stay at home if you are still hesitant about starting work again, but do not take part in any manifestation," M. Moch said.

The Communist-led French General Confederation of Labour's Executive Committee appealed tonight to all miners, sailors and dockers, particularly those in Britain and the United States, to show their solidarity with the French miners.—Reuter.



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Indonesian Insurrection Virtually Over

Batavia, October 26. The Communist insurrection in Indonesia has virtually been quelled—little more than a month after it broke out in Madure on September 19—according to a Dutch communique issued in Batavia.

The communique said: "Generally speaking, organized resistance of Communist forces has come to an end. Mostly the rebels have taken refuge in the mountains, avoiding major fights and abandoning larger places to the Republican Army." Associated Press.

UN BODY CONDEMNS 3 NATIONS

Paris, October 25. The problem of Greece came before the United Nations today in the form of a report by a special committee on the Balkans, calling on the General Assembly to condemn Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Albania for helping General Markos' guerrilla forces.

The nine-nation committee's report said: "Great quantities of arms, ammunition and other military supplies" had been furnished to the Markos forces with the knowledge of the three governments.

The committee added that in recent months there was "less evidence" of supplies reaching these forces from Yugoslavia.

The 36-nation Political Committee, which today began consideration of this report, spent the morning in East-West skirmishing on whether to hear the representatives of the Bulgarian and Albanian governments and also of General Markos.

Against Eastern opposition it adopted a United States proposal to allow the three governments a limited opportunity to speak, but adjourned till tomorrow before deciding whether it would hear a representative of General Markos.

The committee asked the General Assembly to "issue a serious warning to Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia that their continued aid to Greek guerrillas endangers peace in the Balkans."—Reuter.

Eirann Attitude On Defence

London, October 25. Eire, soon to become an independent Republic, will not enter into any defence arrangement with Britain until abolition of the partition of Ireland.

The Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Sean MacBride, declined to be more specific, but well informed sources amplifying his views, said that no Eire Government could consider such an arrangement while the six counties of Northern Ireland are occupied by British troops.

Mr. MacBride said that his nation's action would improve rather than hurt its present relationship with Britain.

"Ireland's decision is in no way motivated by any hostility to the British Commonwealth of Nations or to Britain," he said.

On the contrary, one of the reasons which has prompted the Irish Government to take this

PEIPING TAKES DIM VIEW OF FUTURE

Peiping, October 26.

Peiping is an uneasy city. There is at present no physical danger to this fabled former capital but foreigners and Chinese in all walks of life say they hear ominous rumbles.

Pessimists give Peiping two months, optimists anywhere from three months to a year.

All hope of some Nationalist counter-offensive have vanished. The question in the public mind just now is only whether and to what extent the Nationalists will be able to slow down the Red tide.

It would be false to say that President Chiang Kai-shek's presence in Peiping created any fresh surge of hope.

In fact, his stay—the longest of his six visits in North China since Japan's collapse—created almost the general impression that things might even be worse than it appears on the surface.

As is natural in any city whose population feel the foe with one day enter, Peiping has become a hotbed of rumour; much of it solemnly purveyed as fact.

South Healthier

One of the latest of these rumours—and this classification should not be forgotten—is that President Chiang Kai-shek has decided to withdraw, not only from Manchuria, but from North China as well and to concentrate on the defence of the Yangtze.

President Chiang himself has refused to see newsmen, consequently there was no hint from him which way the wind is blowing nor any denial of the rumour, some of them palpable, but yet containing an element of plausibility.

More and more people are making their own individual assessments of the situation—and more and more are finding the South a healthier place to be. Some foreigners, though, have decided to stick it out if and when the Reds come.

Real old-timers have seen Peiping under many different controls ranging all the way from imperial to republican to war-lord to the Japanese and Chinese Nationalists. One of these old-timers who plans to stay whatever happens told the Associated Press: "It would not be much worse under the Reds—or could it?"—Associated Press.

Japanese On Way To Communism

Berkeley, California, October 25.

Japan's post-war "Democratic reforms" are leading more to Communism than to real democracy, according to Dr. Delmer M. Brown, assistant professor of history at the University of California.

Dr. Brown, who returned from a three-month tour of Japan as consultant for the Secretary of Army, said today that the Japanese had not "gained any clear understanding of the rights and duties inherent in a democratic way of life" despite their many social and economic reforms.

Japanese scholars, who always had been respected as leaders of thought in Japan, are doing very little to help that country to find a new and just way of life.

Dr. Brown said: "Many of the new studies which are being made are Communist rather than Democratic."—United Press.

TRAGEDY IN BATTLESHIP

London, October 25.

Captain Robert Ormiston Paterson, aged 35, of the Royal Marines, was found shot dead in his cabin aboard the battleship King George V in Portsmouth Harbour. A revolver was by his side.—Reuter.

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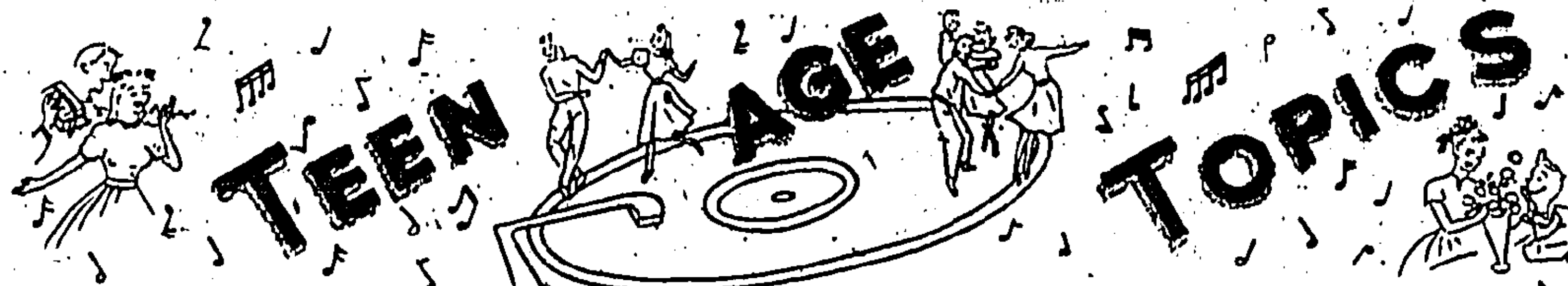
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Editorial

Quite a few bright ideas were received during the week which will be added to the process of improving the Topics.

Whereas ideas and suggestions are helpful, your actual taking part in them will be even more appreciated.

For instance, one reader suggested that each teen age should send in a contest each week. This to be taken part by all except the contributor for that particular week. The idea is good and practical, and I hope that I shall be receiving enough to use for some time.

Another suggestion was that the teen agers themselves should write the personality column.

Excellent.

And when you are selecting your subjects, aim at the boys, for they have been fighting shy of me.

CONTEST

The contest last week must have been very difficult for you as not a single correct entry was received.

The prizes awarded to the last contest will therefore be added to this week's, that is, the first prize this week will be \$10, second \$5, and third \$3.

This type of contest is not difficult if you read the news columns of the "China Mail" and "Sunday Herald" throughout the week, also the pictorial that come out with the Wednesday and Sunday issues.

The names in the contest are of people in Hong Kong only.

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"Eight-year-old little..."

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Lecturer on flower arrange-
ment.

Platter Chatter

ON ARTIE SHAW: Of late we have heard little of Artie Shaw's visits to the recording studios, which is rather mystifying in view of his large following.

Artie has long been the problem boy of the music world. When so inclined he would pop up with a star studded aggregation and make a heap of excellent platters.

Then he would go into semi-retirement, busying himself marrying or divorcing beautiful movie stars or some lesser known lady. His appearance in the film "Second Chorus" was a huge success but unlike that other great soloist Harry James, he was not infected by the "streplococcus flimus."

A man of original ideas, he is no mean composer and his Concerto for Clarinet ranks high among jazz masterpieces. Artie's theme song "Nightmare" was also composed by himself, as was the lovely "Love of My Life."

It is not generally known or appreciated that prior to his break with Victor he waxed two 12-inches which are classics in their field. Summertime from George Gershwin's Porgy and Bess backed by The Mals with the Flucled Air and Evening Song with Suite No. 8 on other side. The range of his clarinet is admirably supported by the entire orchestra on these excellent records.

In celebrating his association with Musicraft, Artie made a fair number of records but in spite of his consistently good bent and lively clarinet these discs are not very exciting.

This was followed by a Cole Porter Album which should be in every Shaw-fan's collection. Since putting Begin the Beguine on the map, Artie has proved he is the best interpreter of Cole Porter's music.

After listening to the dull stereotyped playing by most of today's so-called name bands, whose efforts are perfunctory where Shaw's are inspirational. These are eight inspiring sides.

The Wren.

Personality



PAMELA COOMBES

Pamela Coombes is 18 years of age. She was born in Sallash, Cornwall, on May 9, 1930.

After celebrating her first birthday in Cornwall, Pam left her home and travelled with her parents to different parts of the old country attending as many schools as the places she visited. When she was six, Pam arrived in Hong Kong to pay her first visit to the Colony where she remained until she was nine. The Coombes then returned to England and remained there until 1947.

Pam was in England right through the last war. And she thinks that this period was the most exciting years of her young life "for we children were constantly on the move dodging the German bombs."

On this subject, with almost an air of pride she says, "I was in the famous Plymouth blitz, and I survived it!"

Here in Hong Kong, Pam works at Mollers Ltd; and likes it very much. "My one ambition is to be a very efficient secretary. Of course, I would like to settle down to a home and family of my own some day but not until I am nearly 25, and I would still like to continue being a secretary if that is possible," she answered when asked about her plans for the future.

Pam finds the Hong Kong climate rather warm, especially the summer; "it is a natural reducing agent," she observed.

Dancing is Pam's favourite pastime and she does a good deal of it. At the moment she is attending the Friday sessions of the European Y. Reel Club.

"I am quite limited when it comes to sporting activities. The climate in Hong Kong just doesn't give me a chance." And with an air of achievement she added, "I swim very much though, and now I have taken up softball. I play for the Pirates. I like softball quite a lot, it is so much like rounders," she commented.

"I would leave the affairs of world organisation to the men since they have always monop-

olised it, but I must say that I agree with many teen agers in this column, that we women can be just as capable in taking a hand in helping the world along. We have the natural inborn efficiency. Take the example of us women organising homes and raising children for instance, that is no more different than directing the system of the state or country except that it is in a smaller scale," she argued.

"One of the things I miss in Hong Kong is the youth club. I think Hong Kong youth should be more organised and play a bigger part in the local community. In England the young people take a great interest in their communi- ties and their nation than I notice in Hong Kong."

Pam, like many other teen agers, is a regular reader and her books are quite serious. She prefers J.B. Priestley to any other author she has read "because he understands and writes so well about people." Her favourite book is "The Good Companions" by Priestley.

Beauty

We may not be beautiful or even pretty, but most of us have some attractive points which we can highlight to help us pass muster with our lovelier sisters.

If you have beautiful eyes, enhance their attraction by curling the lashes with an eye-lash curler. Give your eyelids that "dewy" look with the finest touch of vaseline. Trim your brows of superfluous hair but do not pluck them into an ugly thin line. Wear colours that will help accentuate the colour of your eyes. Your mouth may be your best point. Do not keep to the same colour of lipstick. Ring the changes, and be careful how you apply it.

Smooth the lipstick on evenly, making sure not to go over the edges of your mouth, and remove any surplus with a tissue. To give a really trim outline, go round the edges of your mouth with an eyebrow pencil. Of course, the line should be scarcely perceptible.

Beautiful hands are always a source of admiration. Cream them and keep them soft and smooth and well manicured. Choose fluttering soft tones of nail polish. Teeners should never wear bright red polish. If you should find your nails are brittle, apply a little white kholone each night and you will find that this strengthens them.

And most important of all is personality. This can be the most outstanding and attractive thing about you. Kindness and consideration to others will take you a long way on the road to attractiveness. Also, don't smile as if it hurts you. A pleasant ready smile pleases everybody and will help you out of many tiresome spots.

Merrily.

Teen Talk

I have an idea which might interest you. It is to draw a cartoon with the setting inspired by the title of a song. Example: The song "Symphony" makes me imagine a dormitory with the boys snoring—Z-Z-Z-Z.

The readers are the ones to send in these cartoons or ideas for them. And you print the name of the sender under it. The drawings need not be very big so you can print a few each week.

I hope you'll like this idea, but if you are not interested, just skip it.

Gwendolene Cotton.

(Sounds like a good idea to me. Anybody else?—Ed.)

On A Date

It happens too often that a girl knows little what is the right thing to do when on a date with her mate.

Social slips can cause a landslide to your date programme if you insist upon remaining carelessly unconcerned.

Let's assume that you are going out with Jack tonight and all arrangements as to meeting place have been fixed.

First of all, at the invitation, insist gently, that he should call for you at your place. It is always wise to have the folks know your beau.

If the appointed time is say, eight o'clock, be sure that you are ready at least five after, meanwhile having arranged for your brother or—if he isn't in or you don't have one—your father to entertain him.

It will be a good thing also when he arrives, to call down in your merriest voice "I'll be ready in five minutes" (and be sure that you are). This will make him feel that you are just as anxious not to inconvenience him as he is to take you out.

If he brings his car along and he opens the door for you, don't ask him to get in first. He must drive but he would like to see you seated before he rounds the front of the car and enters by the other door.

If it is taxi that is transporting you, make light conversation on subjects relevant to the occasion. If you are going to the theatre, say that someone you knew saw it, and told you that it was good.

He should notice your dress when you first come down, but if he doesn't comment, he is probably shy. You can help him by asking "Like my dress?" and turn sweetly. He will say yes, and usually means it.

If going out to dinner, your beau will probably have a definite place to go to.

But if he leaves the choice to you, you must make it and not bounce the baby back to him. When he leaves it to you, he is probably well equipped for the night.

Your beau will speak to the head waiter who will show you to your table. You follow the waiter, and your beau will follow you.

When ordering your food, you would like to be as economical as possible but don't make your right hand reaching too obvious for this will embarrass your boy friend.

You then get on the dance floor. Usually he is a worse dancer than you, so don't make things more difficult by trying to keep time when he is completely out of tune. Keep following him and you'll be surprised how far you'll get.

Always make a definite time when you should be home and it is always good to let your boy friend know this so that he can plan for you a full evening. And when the time comes you must make a gesture such as "how time flies when people are having a good time." This will make him feel high.

Some stiff necks say that a girl should never let themselves in with a latch key. That is sheer taboo, unless you prefer to sit out on the pavement under the milkman comes. But even then, think of him.

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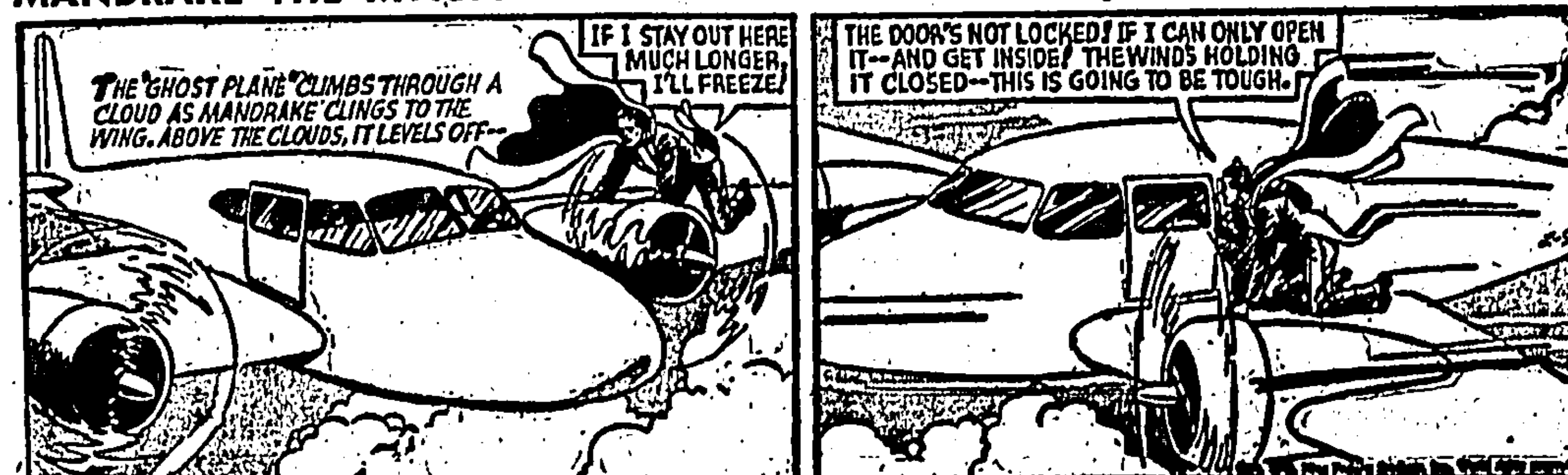
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MINISTERS DISCUSS

MILITARY ALLIANCE WITH NORTH AMERICA

Paris, October 26.

The Foreign Ministers of the five-nation Western European Union met on Monday with a possible military alliance with the United States and Canada foremost on their agenda.

Authoritative American and British sources said that linking of the Brussels Union with the American powers in a North Atlantic pact will be the central theme of the session.

Official British sources said the Ministers decided, soon after Monday's meeting began, that future sessions will be completely restricted. Because of the nature of the talks, these sources said, official spokesmen of the various delegations will not hold briefings with newsmen.

There will be a joint communiqué when the talks end. Informed British sources said that the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will give his conditional endorsement to a French-Belgian proposal for a Western European Parliament.

The Parliament, to be chosen from among the deputies of the five national legislatures, would have consultative authority. The five nations in the Union are Britain, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg.

Bevin's Conditions

British sources said, however, that Mr. Bevin hopes to make some "constructive proposals" on Western European unity when he delivers his statement.

When the project of an eventual international parliament was touched by the French last summer, Mr. Bevin avoided any commitments, pleading he had to consult with the British Common-

wealth nations. French circles said the Commonwealth Dominions had given the scheme their blessing at the recent London meetings.

The Foreign Ministers also will take up a report from their Defence Ministers who last month agreed to weld their military high commands into an integrated general staff under Field Marshal Montgomery.

Military co-ordination also includes standardisation of arms, training, procurement and operations. From the European viewpoint, military unification will serve as the basis for asking the United States to supply arms.

Trade Relations

During the meeting the Foreign Ministers will review reports of their Finance Ministers on steps taken to promote trade and an easier flow of currency among member states.

Efforts to co-ordinate their respective national health programmes and other social benefits also will be studied.

Under the Brussels Pact, embodying political, social, economic, military and cultural measures, the Ministers will meet at least once every three months to direct the Union's affairs.—Associated Press.

CANADA PREPARES

Toronto, October 25.

The Defence Minister, Mr. Brooke Claxton, today said that Canada's defences were being co-ordinated with those of the other Western powers so that they would fit into the North Atlantic security pact.

"As the Western Union becomes stronger, any chance there might be of the Soviet Union willing to wage aggressive war will obviously become less. Existence of a North Atlantic security pact of mutual assistance, including the United States and Canada, would further reduce the chance of Soviet success.

"We are planning our defences after consultation with the others so that what we do will fit into any subsequent plan that may be arrived at after Parliament has given its approval to Atlantic security.

"We are building up the defence forces necessary to defend Canada against immediate attack, and a nucleus for large forces should an emergency arise.

We have close working arrangements with the United States and we are working

out with other free nations plans for joint defence based on self-help and mutual aid as part of the combined effort to preserve peace and restrain aggression.—United Press.

THE OLD STORY IN GREECE

Athens, October 25.

The Athens news agency, quoting press dispatches, reported today that reinforcements for Greek guerrillas were arriving daily from Albania and Yugoslavia.

A Greek General Staff spokesman quoted by the agency said that Government forces in the Mount Verno region in Western Macedonia had had to withdraw North Eastwards about one kilometre under strong guerrilla pressure.

The withdrawal was of a purely local nature.—Reuter.

Outlaw The Bomb, Wallace Demands

Jersey City, October 25.

Mr. Henry A. Wallace, in his major campaign speech on atomic energy, demanded today that the atomic bomb be outlawed and the secrecy veiling peaceful atomic development be lifted.

In a broadcast, Mr. Wallace urged that atomic energy be developed for peace because limiting atomic power to the atom bomb "is like limiting the use of electric power to the electric chair."

"We know this elemental energy can be the greatest blessing in the history of mankind and we say America, Russia and all other nations must renounce, through the United Nations, the use of the atom bomb and all weapons of mass destruction."

He urged that atomic energy be developed on a non-profit basis as a public trust and not be turned over to private business to be "exploited for corporate profits."

"We demand good faith in public ownership of atomic energy for the full development of its peaceful use. We demand that use of this new power for dangerous war provocation be stopped. We demand that secrecy in

atomic development be abandoned except in technical know-how in making weapons and that, in the interests of free people, science be freed from military and big business control."

Mr. Wallace charged that the men who ran the United States feared Russia because they feared that peacetime competition with Russia would force them to give up their system of "monopoly of enterprise and giant profits."

"They fear their swollen war profits will not continue, so they try to force a wartime economy on peacetime America. They fear the effect on their investments of atomic energy developed for peace, so they try to control it and divert it to military use."

Mr. Wallace attacked his political opponents for their stand on atomic energy and their "diplomacy of doom and strategy of disaster."—United Press.

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Espionage By Russians In Alaska

Milwaukee, October 25.

Representative Charles J. Kersten said today that Russian agents know as much about defences in Western Alaska as the Americans do.

Mr. Kersten arrived here from the West Coast and said that his House sub-committee on education and labour has just completed a 12,000-mile tour of the northern United States outpost.

"From our investigations it was apparent that Soviet agents have date knowledge of our installations," he said.

The Republican Congressman also said that the committee has "reason" to suspect that the Russians have moved many thousands of slave labourers into the eastern tip of Siberia, "all within 100 miles of Alaska."—United Press.

Bufs Badge For A Queen

London, October 26.

Queen Ingrid of Denmark yesterday was presented with a diamond regimental badge of the East Kent (Bufs) Regiment at a ceremony in the Danish Embassy.

The presentation was made by Major General G. Scarlett, Commanding Officer of the Regiment, who was accompanied with other officers by King Frederik and Queen Ingrid.—Associated Press.

REDS RECRUITING SIAMESE YOUTH

Bangkok, October 26.

Siamese youths are being recruited in the North East provinces of this kingdom and taken into China for Communist training.

Siamese Army Intelligence has reported this to the government.

On the strength of the reports the Government has despatched a five-man police CID team to the area to study the situation. The Army said 100 young men

have been recruited since last April, a group of 20 going late in September.

The Army report was partially corroborated by provincial commissioners who say that rural youth are offered scholarships to study in Bangkok. On arrival at the capital they are prevailed upon to go to China to study Communist methods of propaganda.

The Army says the youths are taken to Kunming via Indochina and then into Communist-controlled areas of China or else go to sea to Canton and then inland.

The police indicate that two former members of the Siamese parliament are involved in the network recruiting the youths.

A former Siamese corporal, now reported to be a Major General in the Chinese Communist army, is suspected of being the link within China.—Associated Press.

EX-REUTER MAN SENTENCED

Budapest, October 25.

Dr. Aurel Varanall, who was Reuter's correspondent in Hungary until his arrest on July 31, was today found guilty by the Hungarian People's Court of violating the law for the defence of Hungarian democracy through libel, and was sentenced to eight months imprisonment and suspension of civil rights and the right to hold public office for five years.

The court ordered a re-trial before the Supreme Peoples Court after the defence had asked for a new trial and the prosecution had objected to the lightness of the sentence.—Reuter.

"ILLUSTRIOUS" TRAGEDY

Portland, October 25.

Verdicts of "Death by misadventure" were returned at the inquest here today on Midshipman Richard Arthur Clough, aged 18, of Oxford, Naval Airman Thomas Arthur Leonard, aged 18, of Dagenham and Ordinary Seaman Eric Morrison Jack, aged 19, of Aberdeen, who lost their lives as a result of the sinking of the pinnaque carrying liberty men back to the aircraft carrier *Illustrious*.

Clough died after being rescued. The pinnaque sank in a gale 100 yards from the ship with a loss of one midshipman and 28 ratings. The bodies of 20 ratings have not yet been recovered.—Reuter.

Royal Party At The Theatre

London, October 25.

Several hundred people cheered King Frederick and Queen Astrid of Denmark, when with the King and Queen they attended a London theatre tonight.

The Duke of Edinburgh was also in the party, which numbered eight.

The play they saw was "The Kid from Stratford," a bright musical starring Arthur Askey, one of Britain's most popular comedians.

Queen Alexandra, mother of the Danish monarch, went to another theatre with Queen Mary, with whom she is staying.—Reuter.

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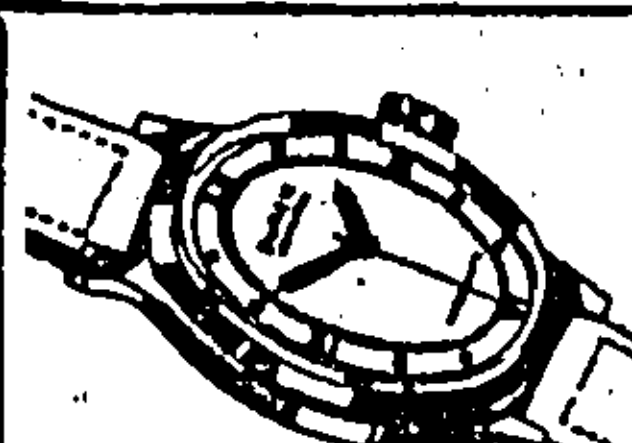
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Last week-end was ideal weather for the start of the Autumn Series racing in all classes of yacht, and keen competition was seen in all events at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club. On Saturday eight Dragons turned out in the 1st Race for the Commodore's Cup. The wind was strong enough for one or two rolls of reef in the mainsail at the start of the race although most Dragons shook this reef out on the final run down to the finishing line.

Only 4 Julebs turned out but their race gave the closest finish yet seen in a Juleb class race, all crossing the line within 2 minutes after an hour and a half's keen racing. Saturday marked the 1st Ladies race in 14 ft. dinghies of the Autumn series. Eight Julebs started, all with 2 or 3 reefs down in their mainsails. The course was from Kellie Island across to the Canine Point buoy, then on to North Point buoy, and down to Kellie Island, round the distance mark, three times round. The North Point Mark was the first time. Mr. Jones was in the lead, followed by Mr. E. D'Arey and Miss Evans, when the Officer of the Day decided to shorten the course to prevent any further loss.

The first two ladies did not see this, therefore sailed on and crossed the line. Miss Evans, who was in the lead, followed through and got the finishing gun.

First Team Race
On Sunday morning was the 1st in this season's team race fixture, between 1st Escort Flotilla and Talko Dockyard. 14 teams have entered the league. Each team consists of 4 boats, who race each other in "straight" contests on Sunday mornings. The first three boats home in each team count. In last Sunday's race Talko, after a bad start, made a tremendous recovery in the second lap to win the event by 1 point. Talko 11 points, 1st Escort Flotilla 10 points.

The weekend's winds and seas were too much for the Star class, and the only other race was the open dinghy race on Sunday afternoon, the 1st in the Autumn series. There were 17 starters, of whom 5 did not finish. Van Solow held the lead at the start followed by Fuller and Wright and Honess.

At the end of the first lap, Honess had gained a useful lead which he held to the finish. Meanwhile Van Solow came well up and in the second lap caught up with the second boat, Van Solow and these two had a close contest right to the end when Van Solow gained second place by 35 seconds.

Next weekend's most coveted of the 2nd Commodore's Cup series

SHOOL BAZAAR ON SATURDAY

The King George V School Parents and Friends Association, in co-operation with the Staff of the School, have organised a Bazaar which will be held in the grounds and school buildings on Saturday afternoon.

The function is under the patronage of Lady Gibson, who will be received at the School by a Guard of Honour formed by the Girl Guide Troop of the School. An energetic group of women working for many months, have produced a remarkable number of knitted garments for both adults and for young children. Another group has been working on the dressing of dolls.

One stall will have for sale large quantities of seedlings and plants and unusual containers for flowers and bulbs. Another stall will be selling home made sweets and chocolates.

In the grounds of the school, children will be able to experience the thrill of travelling through the air on a Balsa's Chair or riding on the back of a pony. Both these parents and children will be able to indulge in the sport of hurling balls at coconuts and Aunt Sally. The boys of the School will also play an exhibition game of seven-a-side rugby football in fancy dress.

The gallery of the school hall will be converted into a miniature railway composed of over 150 feet of track which will run through stations and tunnels. For a small charge, children will be able to pretend they are driving the engine and start and stop at stations.

For the children who are tired by their perambulations, tea with home made cakes will be served in the School gymnasium. In order to free mothers who wish to join in the scramble for purchases a room has been organised in which parcels may be left.

Results

Here are the results of last weekend's racing:

THURSDAY EVENING DINGHY RACE

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